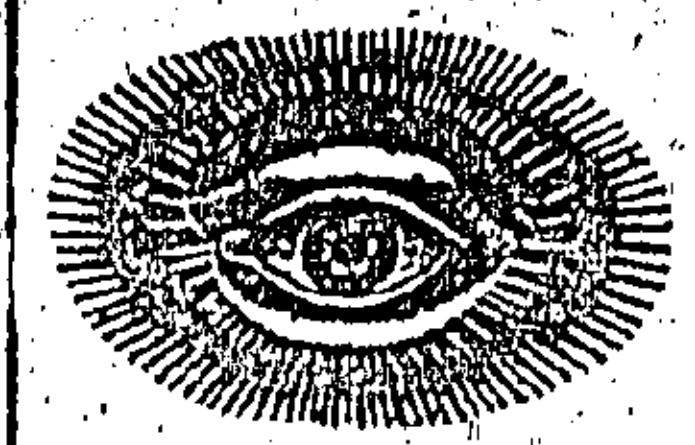




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BRITAIN'S SHOW OF FORCE. TROOPS AND MARINES FOR CHINA.

DEFENCE OF YANGTZE RIGHTS AT ALL COSTS.

SOME PLAIN SPEAKING.

That Britain is determined to protect her rights in China is further indicated by the fact that in addition to the despatch of the 1st Cruiser Squadron, two Union Castle liners are, shortly to leave Home with troops whilst a thousand marines have been warned to be in readiness to proceed East.

The point is stressed that these forces are merely coming East as a precautionary measure, but a leading newspaper states that some demonstration is due in the East to show that Britain is ready to defend British nationals and British rights, if need be by force of arms.

A weighty pronouncement by the British Attorney General (Sir Douglas Hogg) on British policy in this regard warns the Chinese not to misinterpret British forbearance at Hankow.

Chinese reports that Mr. Eugene Chen demands the complete recognition of the Nationalist Government and the withdrawal of all British warships from inland waters are officially declared to be untrue.

London, Jan. 18.

Reuter learns that no telegrams have been received announcing any fresh incidents anywhere in China. Mr. O'Malley is still exploring the ground at Hankow. It is pointed out that any naval, military or air movements are for the purpose of carrying out the policy of the British Government for the protection of life and property and must not be interpreted as in any way an aggressive action.

The decisions at yesterday's Cabinet were in complete conformity with the known policy of the Government towards China, which is unchanged. The new British Minister to China, before he left London, stated there were two aspects of British policy; the first being an endeavour by negotiation on a liberal basis to meet legitimate Chinese national aspirations, and secondly, a determination to do our utmost to protect, if necessary, the lives and interests of Britishers should they be threatened.

The discussions which are expected to continue at Hankow regarding the British Concession there will be on this basis, and it is believed that satisfaction can be given to many of the desires of the Cantonese, but there can be no surrender to threats or violence. —Reuter.

MARINES COMING.

PURELY DEFENSIVE PURPOSE.

London, Jan. 18. One thousand marines at Chatham, Plymouth and Portsmouth have been warned to be in readiness to proceed to the Far East. —Reuter.

Later. The Marines will probably sail next week, but it is officially emphasised that they are going to China purely to defend British life and property and that their despatch is in no wise a warlike act.

TO PROTECT YANGTZE RIGHTS.

The cruisers which are going to China from Malta on Jan. 19, are the Froisher, Delhi, Danne and Dragon, and their duty is also the protection of British rights and property on the Yangtze.

The hospital ship, Maine, is accompanying the cruisers for the purpose of treating members of the crews who may be ill.

A message from Malta says that H.M.S. Dauntless will not go to China till mid-February. —Reuter. An earlier message from Malta stated that the First Cruiser Squadron, except H.M.S. Dauntless, is leaving for Shanghai "under the command of Rear Admiral William Boyle."

The hospital ship, Maine, which is at present in dry dock, is standing by in readiness to sail to China. —Reuter.

ADMIRAL BOYLE'S CAREER.

Rear Admiral William Henry Dudley Boyle, C.B., who is in command of the "First Cruiser Squadron," was educated on H.M.S. Britannia and entered the Navy as a cadet in 1887. He was promoted Lieutenant in 1895, Commander in 1905, Captain in 1913 and Rear Admiral in 1923. He served in China in 1900, was in the Naval Intelligence Department from 1909 to 1911, was Naval Attaché at Rome from 1913 to 1915 and was senior officer in the Red Sea Patrol during the war, being mentioned in despatches, commanding H.M.S. Repulse. In 1922 and 1923 he was a Naval A.D.C. to H.M. the King. He was born in 1873, being the son of Colonel Gerard E. Boyle and the late Lady, Theresa Pepys, daughter of the 1st Earl of Cotnam. He married in 1902 Lady Florence Cecilia Keppel, youngest daughter of the 7th Earl of Albemarle.

PREPARING TROOPSHIPS.

UNION CASTLE LINERS TO SAIL THIS MONTH.

London, Jan. 18. The Union Castle liners Kinfauns Castle and Kildonan Castle, which have been laid up for several months at Southampton, are being fitted out for immediate use for the conveyance of troops to China. —Reuter.

CHEN'S "DEMANDS."

OFFICIALLY DENIED.

Peking, Jan. 18. The Chinese reports that Mr. Eugene Chen has demanded the complete recognition of the Nationalist Government, and the withdrawal of all British warships from inland waters are officially declared to be untrue. —Reuter.

PLAIN SPEAKING.

FORCE—IF NEEDS BE.

London, Jan. 18. The newspapers consider that the last doubt has been removed that the Government means to take its share in the defence of Shanghai, should it become necessary.

The Yorkshire Post, an authoritative Conservative newspaper, says: "In the instructions sent to the British representatives it will doubtless be made clear that we have no desire to interfere in Chinese affairs or to take sides for or against any elements competing for the control of the country or of its most important sources of revenue. But we are determined (Continued on Page 18).

FRENCH BOAT SPRINGS LEAK.

"SONGBOS" RACE AGAINST TIME.

HAS TO BE BEACHED.

With water rushing into her through a leak sprung in the hold, the French coaster Songbo, well-known in Hongkong and other South China ports, has just made a thrilling dash for safety over a distance of many kilometers, and has been beached at Fort Bayard (Kwang-Chow-Wan).

This latest episode of the sea was revealed in a wireless received in Hongkong over the week-end, and incidentally the message cleared up the mystery of an "S.O.S." which had been broadcast without the exact directions being given.

The Songbo is one of a trio of steamers operated by the Compagnie Indochinoise de Navigation of Haiphong, the two other units being the Tonkin and Hanoi.

According to advices received by the Compagnie des Messageries Maritimes, who are her Hongkong agents, the Songbo (500 tons net) left Haiphong just a week ago, being scheduled to call at Kwang-Chow-Wan on her way to Hongkong. Before the intermediate port was reached, however, she sprung a leak and this gave rise to grave fears regarding her safety. Being fitted with wireless, the "S.O.S." signal was broadcast, and a dash at full speed was made to reach Kwang-Chow-Wan.

From the brief message received in Hongkong by the naval authorities, it would appear that there was a race against time, but the Songbo at length reached Fort Bayard where she was beached.

According to information from the Messageries Maritimes, the cargo from Haiphong is being unloaded at the French port, and in all likelihood it will be forwarded by the next steamer of the Company's fleet to Hongkong. It is further learned that the Songbo, which is somewhat badly damaged, will return to Haiphong when initial repairs enable her to do so with safety.

HIGHWAY ROBBERS.

A KOWLOON INCIDENT.

Highway robbers appeared in the Kowloon residential district last night, when they carried out what appeared to be a pre-arranged attack on a Chinese tea-house waitress and dispossessed her of a gold wrist-watch and chain valued at \$30.

It appears that the girl's screams brought three other men to join the first two in a concerted attack. This happened after 11 o'clock, in a dark lane situated at the rear of Ashley Road. In making their escape, the gang scattered in all directions, but one of them was followed by the waitress. Then, by dint of shouting and clinging on to the man, she succeeded in causing considerable embarrassment to the robber. A constable soon rushed up to take the man into custody.

NEW DELHI.

HIS MAJESTY'S MESSAGE.

London, Jan. 18. Lord Irwin, Viceroy of India, today opened the new Parliament Building at New Delhi.

A message from H.M. the King was read, in which His Majesty said: "Fifteen years ago in Delhi I gave public expression to a hope that the great changes then to be effected might bring increased happiness and prosperity to India. On this solemn occasion, I desire to associate myself with the onward completion of a great part of the task then undertaken. British Wireless.

GRAVE WARNING.

CABINET MINISTER ON CHINA.

BRITAIN PREPARED TO FACE ALTERNATIVE.

"A PARAMOUNT DUTY."

London, Jan. 18.

Sir Douglas Hogg, the Attorney General, in a speech in London, said that the British Government's Memorandum regarding China showed that they intended to go as far as possible to meet the legitimate aspirations of the Chinese people.

That was a liberal and generous policy towards the Chinese nation but, unfortunately, the proposals did not seem to have been received by some Chinese in the spirit in which they were intended, for, within a few days of publication, there had occurred that most unhappy incident at Hankow—an attack by a Chinese mob upon the British Concession. A grave responsibility was thrown upon the British authorities on the spot and they faced that responsibility with courage and discretion. —(Cheers).

BRITAIN'S INVITATION.

We withdrew our forces and the Concession was over-run by the mob. That created a difficult situation. It would have been open to us to say that we would decline to hold communication with the Chinese authorities unless the Concession were restored, but the British Government, while claiming that the position at Hankow must be regularised, had entered into negotiations with the Chinese authorities to see whether a satisfactory arrangement can be reached on the basis of the Memorandum. He (Sir Douglas Hogg) hoped that the invitation would be accepted and that we might regard the incident at Hankow as unauthorised and unintended by the responsible authorities.

THE ALTERNATIVE.

If the invitation is accepted, the Chinese will not find us either ungenerous or unreasonable in our demands, but, on the other hand, the Chinese should be encouraged by our forbearance at Hankow to believe that the events there could be repeated throughout China, if they should attempt forcibly to regain Concessions which they might well be able to re-arrange by negotiation, and if they should prove themselves unable or unwilling to protect the lives and property of British citizens, then, in the Government's view, it was a paramount duty to see that the liberties of our people who were lawfully carrying on their vocations in a country in which they were legally installed, were protected. —(Cheers).

WILL PROTECT SHANGHAI.

We had at Shanghai alone some 16,000 British subjects and many millions of British property and if the Chinese authorities refuse to safeguard those lives and interests, it became a duty, which at all costs the Government would discharge, to protect those interests themselves. —(Cheers). Obviously, that might conceivably involve grave consequences and it was on account of that possibility—remote as he hoped it would be—that he thought it his duty to speak on the subject. —Reuter.

INFLUENZA EPIDEMIC.

OVER 800 DEATHS.

London, Jan. 18. The Ministry of Health announces that there were 826 deaths from influenza during the week ending January 15, in London and 105 in the great towns of England and Wales. —Reuter.

KWANGTUNG CITY SEIZED.

RIVAL LOCAL FORCES CLASH.

PEOPLE BADLY TREATED.

Recently, there has been a great deal of trouble between the Farmers' Associations and the People's Defence Guards in Kwangtung province, due to the rivalry between these two bodies.

Matters appear to have reached a critical stage at Ching Yuen, where for some time there has been no magistrate, the former incumbent finding it impossible to settle the differences between the two organisations.

There have been several attempts by the Farmers' Association there to take possession of the headquarters of the Defence Guards, and matters came to a head a few days ago when, with the co-operation of a number of troops, an attempt on a much larger scale was made. Chinese reports state that the city gates being closed against the attack, the Farmers' Association employed both bombs and rifle fire to force an entrance through the South Gate. The Defence Guards retreated through the North Gate, and their opponents following up the pursuit, an engagement took place in which the Farmers' Association got the worst of it. However, the regular troops came up and defeated the Defence Guards.

Then the Farmers' Association took possession of the city, and meted out stern treatment to those in the Defence Guards. It is stated that the inhabitants of the city protested against the action of the Farmers' Association, but that they were silenced at the point of the bayonet.

NATIONALIST CAPITAL.

INVITATION FROM WUHAN CITIES.

According to a Chinese telegram received at noon to-day, a large mass meeting, representative of many public organisations in Hankow and Wuchang, was held on Monday, at which it was unanimously decided to ask the Nationalist Government to make Wuhan the capital at once, and not to make Nanchang the temporary capital as has been suggested. The meeting passed a resolution, assuring the Kuomintang of a warm welcome if it decided to make Wuhan its headquarters.

Later in the day, the Commissioners held a special meeting to consider the matter but no announcement was made regarding the final decision.

Marshal Chang Kai-shek left Hankow yesterday and has gone to Nanchang, where he has his field headquarters.

JAPANESE POLITICS.

BUDGET TO BE DISCUSSED.

Tokyo, Jan. 18. The Budget will be submitted to the Lower House for formal discussion next month, provided dissolution of the Diet intervenes. —Reuter.

[In November, the Japanese Cabinet decided that the Budget for the coming financial year would be:—Revenue, ¥1,569,000,000; Expenditure, ¥1,739,000,000, whereby there is a deficit of ¥160,000,000. The expenditure includes the following items:—Army, ¥259,000,000; Navy, ¥259,000,000; Army, ¥212,000,000.]

THE SUNNING PIRACY TRIAL.

CAPTAIN PRINGLE RECOUNTS THE HAPPENINGS.

IDENTIFICATION QUERIES.

The trial at the Criminal Sessions of ten Chinese in connection with the Sunning Piracy was continued before Mr. Justice Wood and a jury this morning.

Capt. Pringle, the Master of the pirated ship, gave evidence as to the actual piracy and the subsequent fire aboard the vessel. He was cross-examined by Mr. Alabaster (for the defence) on the point of identification of certain of the prisoners.

The hearing is being continued this afternoon.

In the course of this morning's evidence, Captain Pringle said he had under his command two deck officers, Chief Officer Beatty, and Second Officer Hurst, whilst the engine room officers were Mr. Cormack (Chief), Mr. Orr (Second) and Mr. Duncan (Third). When the boat left the buoy on the eventful voyage at 9.30 a.m. on November 15th, there were a number of Chinese passengers in the first-class, second-class and steerage, and there were also two saloon passengers, one of them being a Russian lady and the other Mr. Lapsley.

At 3 p.m. on November 15th, the ship was about twenty-six miles to the north-east of the Lamocks, and half an hour later witness was in his cabin when he was called by the cabin boy. He drank a cup of tea and started to read a book and a quarter of an hour later he thought it was time they should be sighting the Lamocks, so he went to the chart room and picked up the Lamocks. He had noticed some noise but did not attach much importance to it as it was very common when carrying Chinese passengers, but as it continued he was going out to see what was the matter, when the Second Officer entered the chart room and made a report to him.

At about half-past four, another of the Company's ships passed less than half a mile away, and witness was unable to dip his flag as was usually done.

At seven o'clock he went down to dinner, an armed man escorting him. In the saloon were the Second Officer, Second and Third Engineer, wireless operator, the lady passenger and Mr. Lapsley. While they were eating an armed pirate stood outside the door, and when they had finished witness returned to the navigation bridge, still under escort.

SHIP'S ARMS TAKEN.

Witness looked round and through the port window of the lower bridge he saw some Chinese flourishing automatic pistols. He walked towards the port door, which was open, and said to the men "What do you want?" There were three men there who spoke in Chinese, and witness could not understand what they were saying. They pointed to their pistols, and witness, understanding that they wanted his arms, took them to his cabin where he showed them the locker containing the arms. The locker contained a rifle with fifty rounds of ammunition, and a revolver with twenty-five rounds, which the men took away.

His Lordship:—Have these arms been recovered?

Mr. Nihill:—No, my Lord. Continuing, witness said after that, they motioned him into the chart room where they spoke with reference to the chart. As witness could not understand, the pirates brought the wireless operator, who was Chinese, but he could not understand them, as he did not speak the same dialect. One of the pirates became angry with the wireless operator, and struck him on the jaw, and another man, whom witness identified as No. 3, pushed a gun into his (witness's) stomach. At that moment another man pushed the threatening pirate away, and two of them went away with the Second Officer on to the bridge. A well-dressed Chinese, wearing horn rimmed spectacles, and apparently without arms, then entered the chart room and spoke quietly to the wireless operator. Witness heard his say "Sai Mun" and then witness knew what they wanted. The wireless operator was able to understand the No. 1 pirate, and acted as interpreter.

PIRATE SHOT.

A pirate, who was guarding the other people in witness's cabin came up the starboard ladder, and fired twice at the mate, but neither shot took effect. The Chief Officer returned the fire, and the man fell to the bottom of the ladder.

His Lordship:—Is he identified? Mr. Nihill replied: that he was not, as he was believed to have been killed. He was told that the remains of a body were found near the bottom of the ladder.

The Second Engineer, Mr. Orr, hearing a noise, came up from down below, and the Second Officer gave witness a revolver. Witness then walked to the port side of the bridge to defend the ladder there, and Messrs. Beatty and Orr were on the starboard side. No-one attempted to come up on the port side, so witness did not have to use his revolver. Mr. Beatty (Continued on Page 12.)

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CHINA WAR.**ANOTHER DEFECTION REPORTED.**

Shanghai, Jan. 18.

It is reported from Chengchow that Wei Yi-san, another prominent officer in Wu Pei-fu's army, has gone over to the Nationalist forces and taken up the post of commander of the Thirtieth Nationalist Army.

Wu Pei-fu has ordered Wong Wai-chin to take two brigades of his forces to the south to join the forces of Tien Wei-chin and others, to disband the forces of Wei Yi-san. Other troops will also be despatched to suppress the revolting forces.

An official communique states that the Allied forces occupied Lankai on the 17th, and the Nationalists retreated to Kuchow, where, after receiving reinforcements, they resumed the offensive against Fungia, which the Chekiang troops have entirely evacuated. The forces of Chow Yam-yan have reached the territory of Sheung-yue.

Chu Yu-pok has wired to Chang Tsung-cheong informing him of the successes gained in the Chekiang campaign, and the intention of Sun Chuan-fang to push on without delay. The Shantung troops are requested to move to Anhui and Kiangsi, which arrangement has been settled with Chen Tzu-yuen, of Anhui, and troops have been ordered to be ready for the move. As soon as the big forces have been concentrated, Chu will come to Anhui to direct operations. Chang Tsung-cheong is requested to order Pei Shu-ching to take his fleet to assist in the campaign.

Chu Yu-pok went to Tientsin from Hsuehchow on his way to Peking to present his report to Chang Tso-lin about the military situation in Kiangsu and Anhui, and ask for instructions in connection with the date and plan of launching the general attack.

Kan Ying-kit, the Tsuchin of Honan, has applied to Wu Pei-fu for the abolition of the Tsuchin ship. Wu has granted the application and appointed him regimental commander of the Third Army.

It is rumoured that Lion Kwong-yu has been killed in action.

Sun Chuan-fang had appointed Liu Chi-wing to be Commissioner of Police at Shanghai, the present holder of the post, Yim Chun-yang, having been transferred for service at Sun's Headquarters.—Wah Kiu Yat Po.

The Outlook.

Peking, Jan. 18.

Most comments from abroad on the Chinese situation appear to take it for granted that the Nationalists are to continue to advance and will soon control Shanghai, and probably all China. This is by no means certain.

Sun Chuan-fang and Wu Pei-fu are at least holding their own against the South at present, while Chang Tso-lin has not yet entered the fray. Foreign military men all state that Chang Tso-lin possesses much the best military machine in China, superior to the Cantonese in numbers, munitions, training, equipment, staff, and organization, hence if the clash comes Chang Tso-lin can easily defeat the Nationalists, unless his men become disaffected by Bolshevik money.

Wu Pei-fu is still embarrassed with the disloyalty of subordinates, unless he can speedily advance to the south. Fengtien troops are expected to participate, and Fengtien military circles claim that if they launch an attack they can capture Hankow within a month.—Reuter.

NICARAGUAN REBELS.**MANY KILLED IN BATTLE.**

Managua, Jan. 18.

A hundred rebels were killed in a battle near Tepetitlan.—Reuter's American Service.

INTERNATIONAL TELEGRAPHS.**LONDON PLEA FOR REORGANISATION.**

Rugby, Jan. 18.

The London Chamber of Commerce has formulated a demand that the International Telegraph Conference should be remodelled, and that regulations originally intended to meet conditions when long-distance ocean telegraphy was in its infancy should be reorganised in the light of modern developments.

It is stated that existing conventions tend to restrict instead of encourage advances in cable telegraphy, and radio transmission. Cable companies hitherto represented in an advisory capacity only, should, it is suggested, serve on the international conference, which now consists solely of representatives of national postal administrations. Representation for cable uses is also suggested.

Reorganisation, it is contended, is overdue, even on the present constitution, which gives one vote alike to countries like Britain, in which long-distance telegraphy is of immense importance, and to those such as Lebanon and Senegal, with relatively small interests in the subject.—British Wireless.

BOMB OUTRAGE.**ANOTHER ARREST.**

New York, Jan. 18.

A second man has been arrested in connection with the bomb explosion. Both the arrested men are painters. One is alleged to assert that the bomb was thrown as a protest to Signor Mussolini's attitude to Labour especially towards painters.—Reuter's American Service.

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U. S. NAVY.**PROVISION FOR THREE MORE CRUISERS.**

Washington, Jan. 18.

Provision for beginning the construction of three additional light cruisers, which was defeated by the House of Representatives on January 8, has now been inserted in the Naval Appropriations Bill by the Senate Committee.—Reuter's American Service.

U. S. TRADE.**BIG FAVOURABLE BALANCE.**

Washington, Jan. 18.

The United States' favourable trade balance for last year amounted to \$378,000,000 the exports totalling \$3,810,000,000 and imports \$3,432,000,000. The imports were \$200,000,000 above the previous year, but the exports were \$100,000,000 lower.—Reuter's American Service.

TACNA-ARICA.**PERU REJECTS U. S. PROPOSAL.**

Washington, Jan. 18.

The text of the Peruvian note to Mr. Kellogg is published, and confirms that Peru has rejected the American proposal to settle the Tacna-Arica dispute.—Reuter's American Service.

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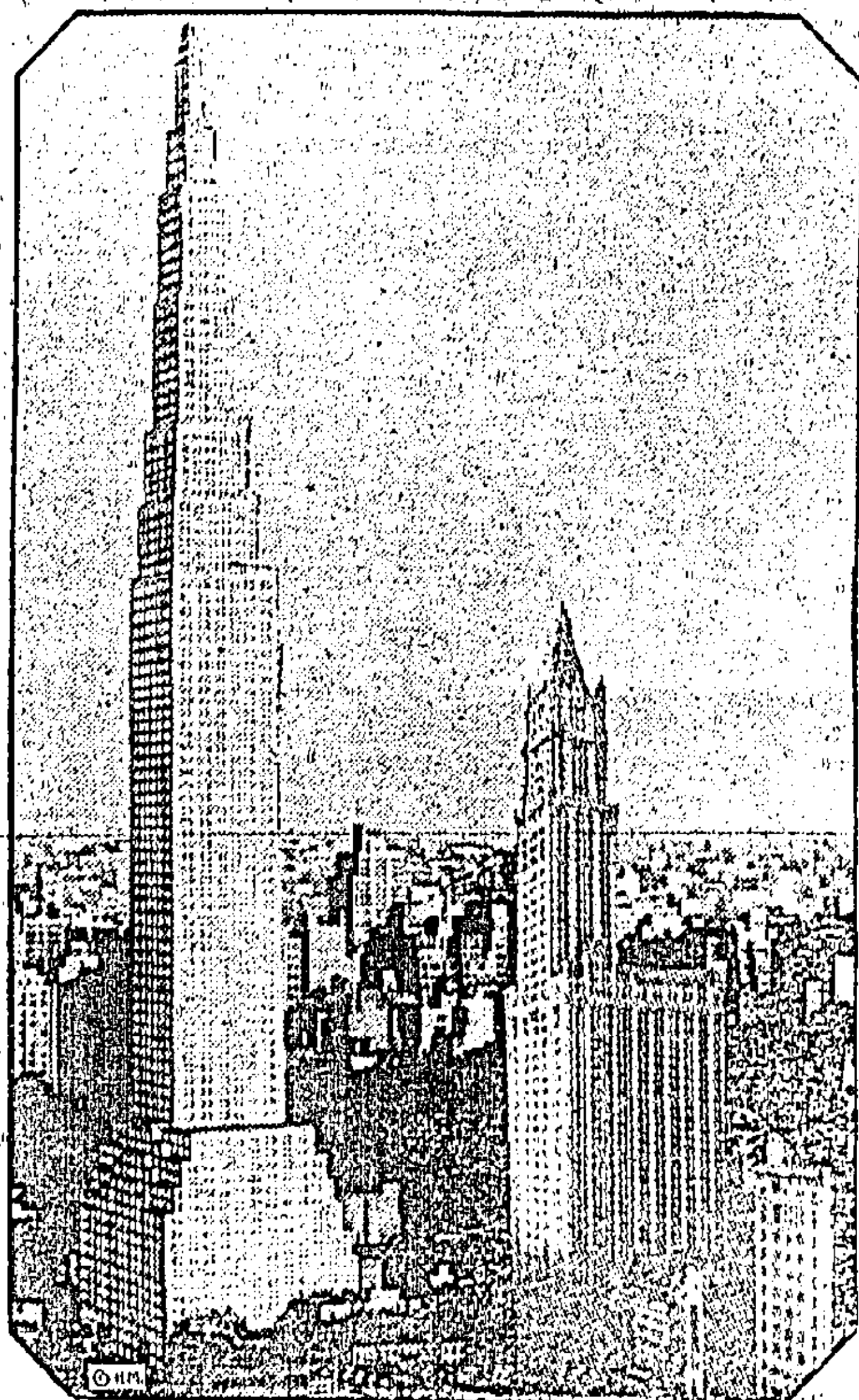
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PRINCE COMPETES.—The Prince of Wales competed in the Army Squash Racquets Championship at Prince's Club, London. H. R. H. won his first round but lost in the next after putting up a good fight.



A FASHIONABLE SPORT.—Winter sport at fashionable Lake Placid, New York, has acquired an Alaskan tint in the form of the eight-dog team of Game Warden Clark A. Hayes. Here we have two fair visitors out mushing through the deep snow with Hayes at the runners.



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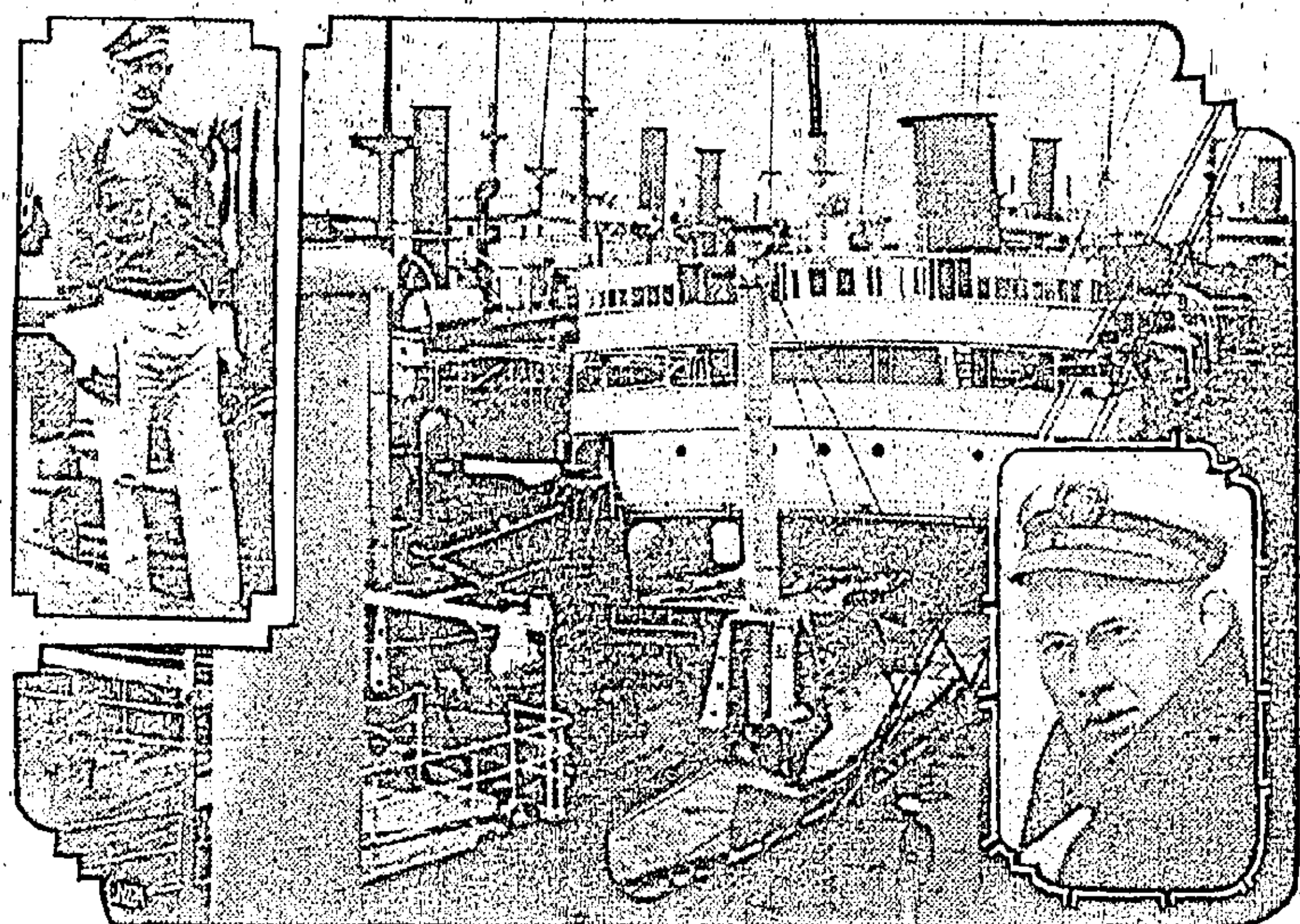
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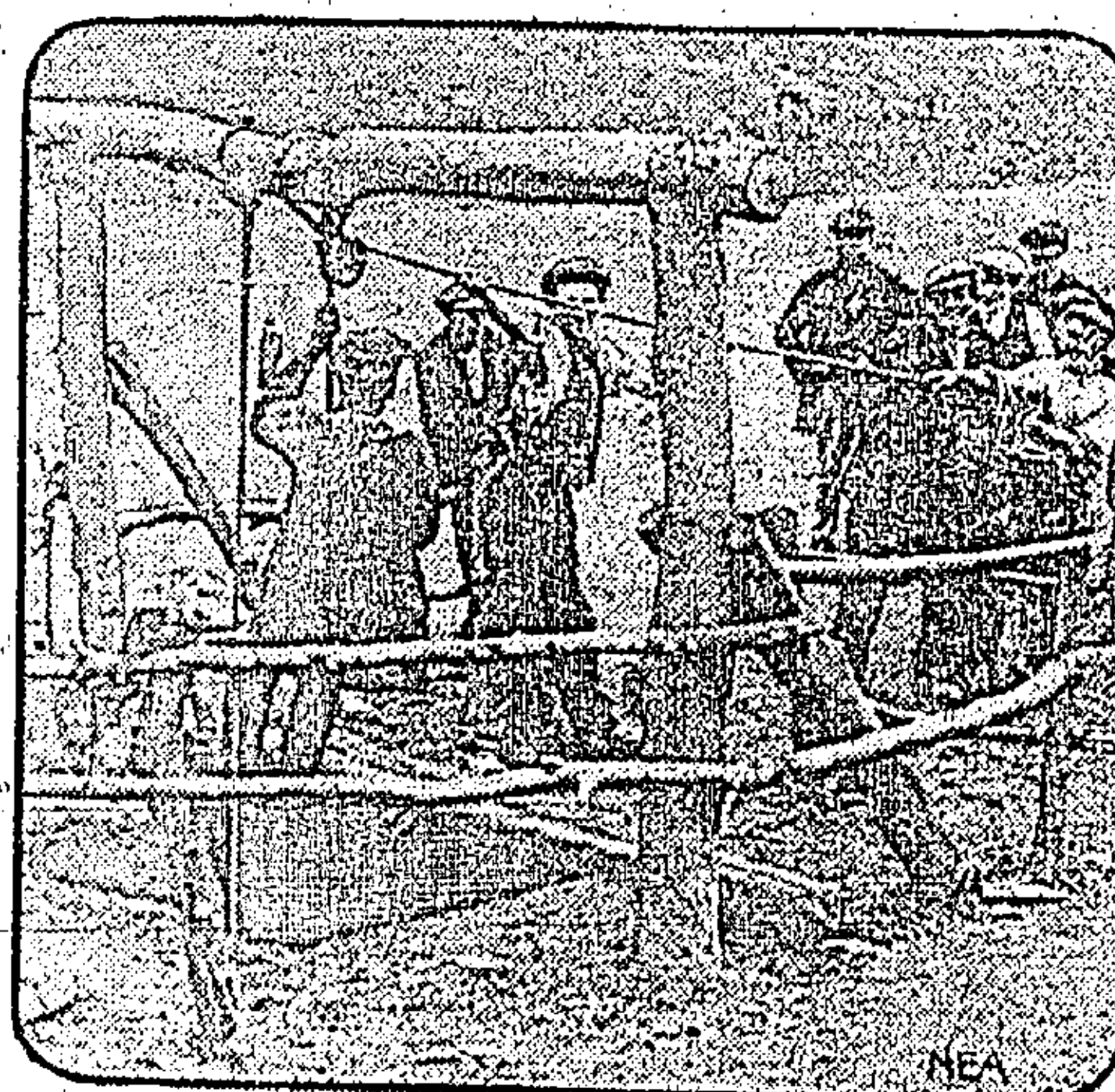
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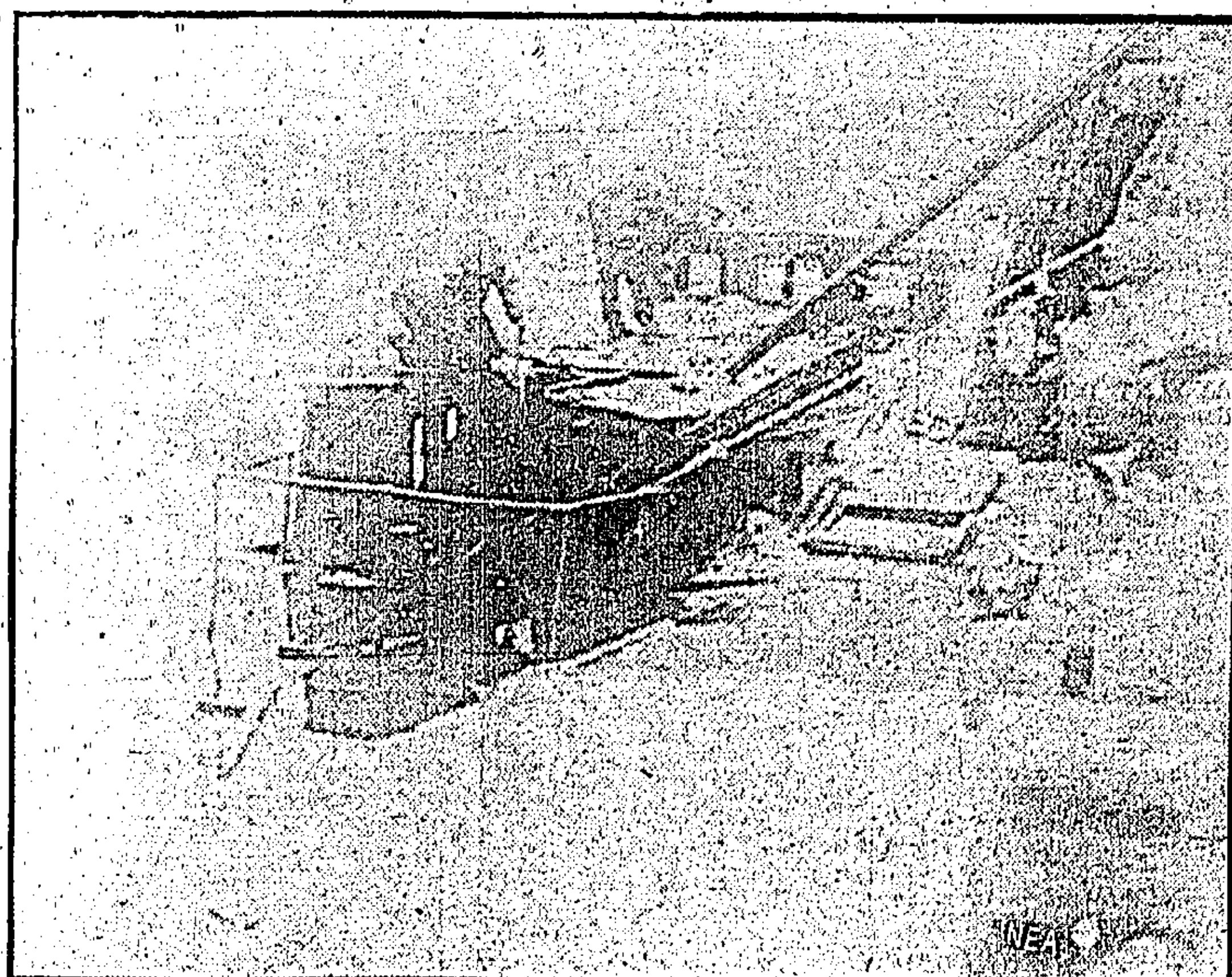
SLUMBERING FLEET.—A view of the Shipping Board's inactive fleet, perpetually in port on the Hudson River. Captain A. S. Lee (below) and A. Freyschmidt, fleet engineer (above).



MINING COAL BY HAND.—British coal mines lack up to date equipment, the miners complain. Perhaps they do—but probably none of them lacks it as much as this mine, at Gweryll, North Wales. The shaft is only a few yards deep, and the workers are lowered in by hand daily. Its output is only a few tons a day.



VICTORIOUS SMILES.—Smiles of acquittal, these, Albert B. Fall and Edward L. Doheny, just pronounced not guilty of conspiracy to defraud the U. S. of naval oil reserves, are "shaking" on the steps of the courthouse at Washington. Inset is Frank J. Hogan, chief defense counsel, beaming over his legal victory.



FERRY DISASTER.—Police are shown looking through the ruins of the small Hudson river ferry, "Linseed King," which was crushed by ice floes in the Hudson river at New York on Dec. 20. More than 60 men were aboard the small ship when it started to sink, and 33 of them lost their lives when they were forced to jump into the icy waters. The ferry was just disappearing beneath the surface of the water when nearby ships tied a line to it and pulled it to the shore.

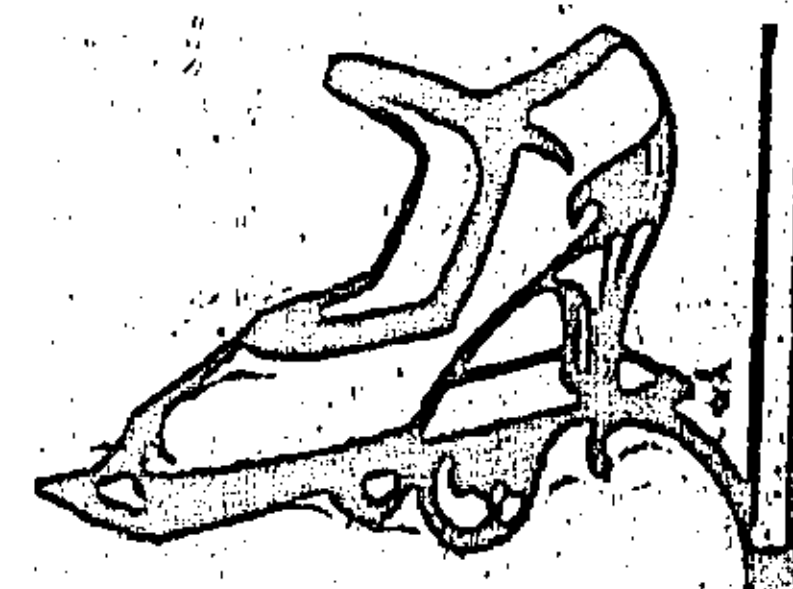
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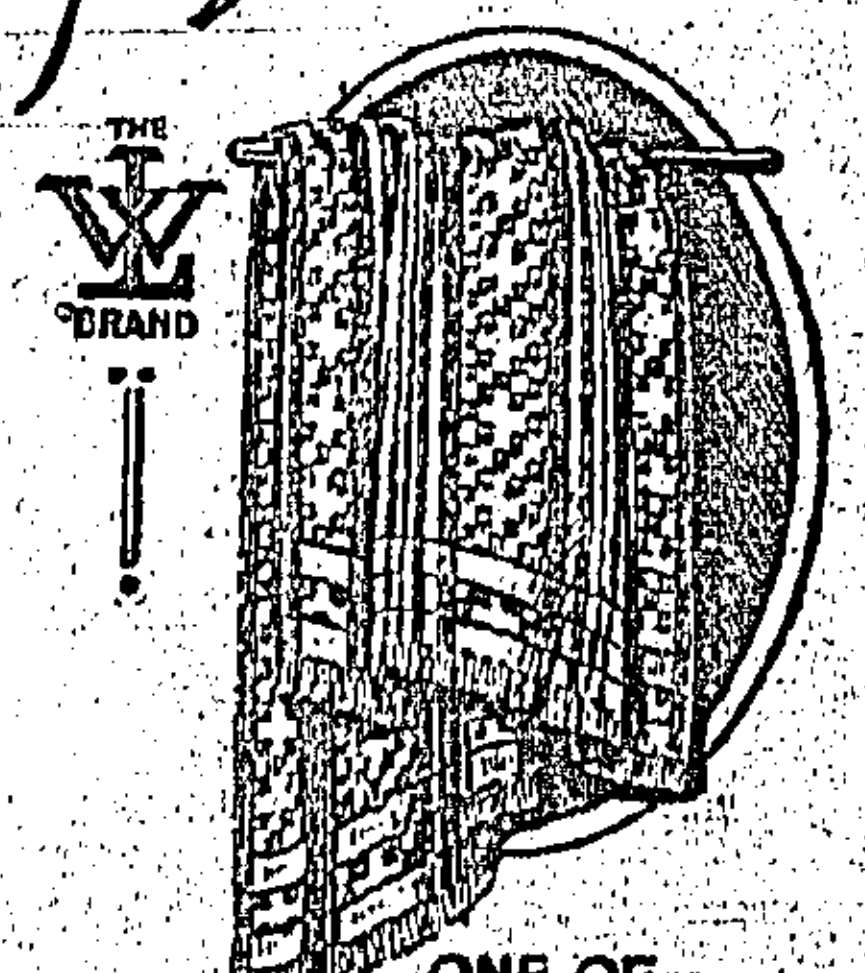
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101, 102, 118, 139.

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This is announce that the Bill of Lading, particulars of which as undermentioned, was lost.

Any person, who has interest in it or holds it, is hereby requested to give notice to or surrender the Bill of Lading to the Osaka Shosen Kaisha, Hongkong, for accomplishment thereof within ten days (from January 19th to 28th), otherwise the same to stand void.

Bill of Lading No. 12.

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Shipped from Macassar on the 6th June, 1926, to Hongkong per s.s. Sourabaya Maru of O.S.K. arrived at Hongkong on June 21st, 1926.

Shipper: Kim Joan Hont, Macassar.

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WING HING HONG,
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Hongkong, 19th January, 1927.

LOST—Sunday, between Star Ferry, Moly Road and Chatham Road, gold tortoise shell cigarette holder. Will finder please communicate with occupier Box No. 358, G.P.O.

PREMISES TO LET.

TO LET.—One European FLAT Wanchai Gap Road, Hongkong. Apply to 32, Kennedy Road.

TO LET.—Office Rooms, 2nd Floor, New Hongkong Bank Building. Apply Sang Kee, same building.

TO LET.—From 1st April furnished flat at the Peak. Apply Property Office Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.

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BURNS' ANNIVERSARY DINNER.

Volunteer Headquarters.

Tuesday, 25th January, at 8 p.m.

Members intending to be present are requested to submit their names not later than Thursday, 20th instant. Scotsmen, not Members of the Society, may attend the Dinner on the same terms as Members but should first communicate with the undersigned.

P. TOD,
Joint-Hon. Secretary,
C/o Jardine, Matheson
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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Twenty Second Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Limited, on Monday, the 31st January, 1927, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1926. The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 24th to 31st January, 1927, both dates inclusive.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.,
General Managers.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY NINTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY, 27th January, 1927, at noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1926.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, 14th January to Thursday, 27th January, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order
of the Board of Directors,
L. S. GREENHILL,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 6th January, 1927.

NOTICE.

Tenders are invited for the purchase of one Dodge Car, one old Regal Engine and Chassis, and one old Fire Brigade Engine, particulars of which may be obtained from the Commanding Officer, H.M.S. "TAMAR".

Tenders will be opened at noon on Wednesday, 26th January.

NOTICE.

HOLDERS of shares standing in the name of the undersigned on Registers of local Companies are requested to have them transferred immediately out of his name, failing which no future dividends can be claimed thereon.

SEU KON CHI,
6, Des Voeux Rd., C.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Entries for the Forthcoming Races close on Wednesday, 26th January, 1927, at 3 p.m. and must be sent to the Secretary care of Linstead & Davis, Alexandra Buildings on or before this date. Entry Forms are now ready and can be had at the Jockey Club Stables, Race Course, Hongkong Club or Linstead & Davis.

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE.—FOREIGN STAMPS including Portuguese varieties. Reasonable prices. Particulars given or enquiries answered by A. F. Batalha, Bêco do Lilaio No. 5, Macao.

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HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

ADDITION TO PROGRAMME FOR ANNUAL MEETING.

First Day—Tenth Race.

The Racing Stakes.

Winner \$600. Second \$200. Third \$100. For Griffins of this Meeting and Ponies that have never won a Race. Subscription Griffins of this Meeting allowed 6 lbs. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners barred. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$10. One Mile. Entries for this race should be attached to the Entry Forms already issued.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Kowloon Football Club will be held at the Club House, Chatham Road, on Friday, the 28th day of January, at 8 p.m., when the following resolution will be proposed:—

"That the Rules contained in the pamphlet printed and issued to all members be approved and adopted as the Rules of the Kowloon Football Club in substitution for and to the exclusion of all existing Rules thereof."

W. J. KEATES,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, Jan. 18, 1927.

HOLYOAK, MASSEY & CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the name of this Company has been changed to REISS, MASSEY & CO., LTD.

B. L. LEWIS,
Director.

Hongkong, 12th Jan., 1927.

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

Entry forms may now be obtained at the Pavilion. Entries CLOSE on the 29th January.

NOTICE.

The Marriage Registry has been transferred from the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs to the Land Office, Supreme Court, Hongkong.

PHILIP JACKS,
Registrar of Marriages,
The Marriage Registry,
Supreme Court,
Hongkong.

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

ANNUAL RACE MEETING.

The date for the closing of entries has been postponed until Wednesday, 26th January, 1927, at 3 p.m.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

CONSIGNEE NOTICES.

SERVICES CONTRACTUELS DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

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Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless instructions are received from the Consignees 12 hours before arrival requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after Tuesday, the 25th instant, at noon will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the Friday, the 28th inst. or they will not be recognized. Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's Surveyors Messrs. Godard & Douglas at 10.00 a.m. on Tuesday, the 26th inst.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns. No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

J. LIMAGE,
Agent.

Hongkong, Jan. 19, 1927.

LAMMERT'S AUCTIONS.

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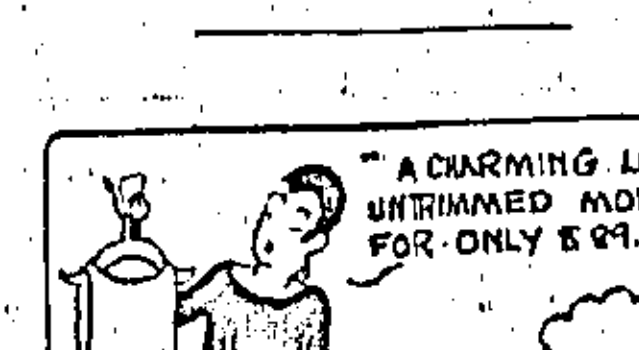
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FIVE-YEAR SENTENCE.

ARMED MAN'S CONFESSION.

A detachment from the Flying Squad recently organised as a special reserve to aid the police in times of emergency, last night effected the capture of an armed man who was out on the prowl in the Western district.

The close approach of the Chinese New Year has often been marked by crime, and the services of a detachment from the Flying Squad, which included Messrs. Choy Hing-kee, Harry Kong and Robert Young were utilised for a special search of the Western district late last night. With them were also the official members, a few Chinese detectives riding in the side-cars, and Traffic Sergeants Baker and Roberts as patrol leaders.

Yuen On Terrace, situated near Hill Street, was in process of being combed out, when it was noticed that one of the late prowlers in this thoroughfare was endeavouring to evade the search by edging out of the way. As his hand went to his pocket, to reach for his revolver, he was pounced on by a Chinese detective, and after a terrific struggle, the suspect was knocked unconscious by one of the Chinese reservists and the revolver wrested from his hand. The weapon was found to be fully loaded for action, while a packet of pepper was also found on him.

In examination at the West Point Police Station, where the arrested man was taken after his arrest, he made a statement to Inspector P. Grant, in which he unreservedly confessed that he only arrived in the Colony that day on the Tai-ping ferry junk and was looking for a suitable victim. He also made no bones in regard to the use contemplated for the pepper.

Commenting on the evidence in the case, Mr. R. E. Lindsell said this morning it did not speak much for the searchers at the Tai-ping junk ferry wharf that they failed to discover the arms on the accused when he entered the Colony.

In view of the gravity of the case, the charges were heard by two Magistrates, Mr. Schofield being the other Magistrate.

The accused was sentenced to five years' hard labour and twenty strokes of the birch, he having formally pleaded guilty in the Court.

SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:—

Banks.
Hongkong, \$1110 b.
Chartered Bank, \$21 n.
Morgantile A. & B., \$32 n.
Morgantile C., \$134 n.
P. and O., \$94 b.
East Asia, \$84 n.
Marine Ins.
Canton Ins., \$655 b.
China Underwriters, \$145 n.
North China, Tls. 145 n.
Union Ins., 284 b.
Yankee Ins., \$43 n.
Fire Ins.
China Fire, \$200 b.
Hongkong Fire, \$615 b.
Shipping.
Douglases, \$30 b.
Steamboats, \$25 s.
Tugs, \$110 n.
Indo-China, (Prof.) \$32 b.
Shell Trans., \$3/- b.
Star Ferries, \$58 s.
Waterboats, \$15 b.
Refineries.
China Sugars, \$22 s.
Malabons, \$36 n.
Mining.
Bonguots, \$130 n.
Kailans, 38/- n.
Langkats, Tls. 25 n.
Shai Exploration, Tls. 4.50 n.
Shanghai Loans, Tls. 8.00 n.
Rauhs, \$44 n.
Trombs, 21/- b.
Ural Caspians, 8/- n.
Docks, etc.
Kowloon Wharves, \$113 s.
Whampoa Docks, \$40 s.
Hongkows, Tls. 165 n.
New Engineerings, Tls. 6 n.
Shanghai Docks Tls. 110 n.
Land, Hotels, etc.
H. and S. Hotels, \$7 s.
H.K. Lands, \$55 s.
Realty, 46 n.
Territories, \$3 s.
Humphreys, \$14 s.
Princes Bldgs, \$39 n.
Rural Lands, \$11 n.
Cottons.
Ewos Cottons, Tls. 9.10 s.
Orientals, Tls. 24 n.

POST OFFICE NOTICE.

NOTICE.

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

Correspondence for Canton will be forwarded by train if so superscribed. Such correspondence must be posted not later than 7.30 a.m. at the General Post Office or 7.40 a.m. at Kowloon Post Office for despatch by the Express Train scheduled to leave Kowloon Railway Station at 8.05 a.m. and to arrive at Canton at 12.20 p.m.

Postable articles forwarded by letter post to Great Britain are liable to confiscation by the Customs. Such articles should be forwarded by parcel post only.

Prohibition of exchange of clubbed letters between Hongkong and the following countries: China, Netherland Indies, Federated Malay States and Straits Settlements which was to come into force on the 1st January 1927, will not come into force until the 1st April, 1927.

On and after Sunday, 16th January the Radio Counter on the 3rd Floor of the G.P.O. will be closed, and will be transferred together with the Radio Telegraph Office to the 1st Floor of the G.P.O. Building. The Counter at the Radio Telegraph Office will be open day and night for the acceptance of radio telegrams.

The entrance to the Building is at Des Voeux Road-Pedder Street corner.

The doors will be closed after 10 p.m. but admittance may be obtained by ringing the night-bell.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due
Manila	Empress of Russia	January 19.
Shanghai	Luchow	January 19.
U. S. A. Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	Pres. Pierce	January 20.
Australia and Manila	Mishima Maru	January 20.
Shanghai	Kashmir	January 21.
Europe via Suez (letters and papers, London 23rd December and parcels 16th December)	Kashgar	January 21.
Straits	Dohi	January 21.
Manila	Pres. Madison	January 22.
U. S. A. Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Tenyo Maru	January 22.
Straits	Suisang	January 23.
Manila	Kitano Maru	January 23.
Straits	Pres. Jackson	January 23.
U. S. A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai	Fushimi Maru	January 23.
Japan		

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date.
Amoy	Soochow	Wed., Jan. 19, 5 p.m.
Sam Shui and Wuchow	Tai Ming	Wed., Jan. 19, 4 p.m.
Amoy	Kutsang	Wed., Jan. 19, 5 p.m.
Straits	Cremor	Thurs., Jan. 20, 2 p.m.
Weihsaiwei	Hutchow	Thurs., Jan. 20, 2 p.m.
Swatow	Dervent	Thurs., Jan. 20, 2 p.m.
Shanghai	Rube	Thurs., Jan. 20, 3.30 p.m.
Japan	Mishima Maru	Fri., Jan. 21, 9.30 a.m.
Java via Soerabaya	Tjisalak	Fri., Jan. 21, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiching	Fri., Jan. 21, noon.
Manila	Pres. Pierce	Fri., Jan. 21, 1.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Luchow	Fri., Jan. 21, 5 p.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Kashgar	Fri., Jan. 21, 5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Parcels	21st, 5 p.m.
	Kashmir	Sat., Jan. 22, 2 p.m.
	Registration	9.45 a.m.
	Letters	10.30 a.m.
	(Due Marseilles, 19th Feb.)	
Haiphong	Tonkin	Sat., Jan. 22, 1.30 p.m.

Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America and Europe via Victoria, B.C., and Europe via Siberia (letters and parcels specially superscribed "via Siberia" only)

Pres. Madison Sat., Jan. 22. Parcels 1.45 p.m. Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m.

(Due Victoria, B. C. 11th Feb.)
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa Yanhsing Sat., Jan. 22, 5 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa Kanjo Maru Sun., Jan. 23, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow and Bangkok Kingyuan Sun., Jan. 23, 9 a.m.
Amoy Anking Sun., Jan. 23, 9 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan and Honolulu Tenyo Maru Mon., Jan. 24. Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.

Japan Suisang Mon., Jan. 24, 5 p.m.
Amoy Shantung Mon., Jan. 24, 5 p.m.
Shanghai Kitano Maru Tues., Jan. 25, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow Hailong Tues., Jan. 25, Noon.

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles Agapenor Tues., Jan. 25. Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m. (Due Marseilles 24th February.)

Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America, Europe via Victoria, B.C. and Europe via Siberia (letters and postcards specially superscribed "via Siberia" only)

Empress of Canada Tues., Jan. 25. Parcels 3 p.m. Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p

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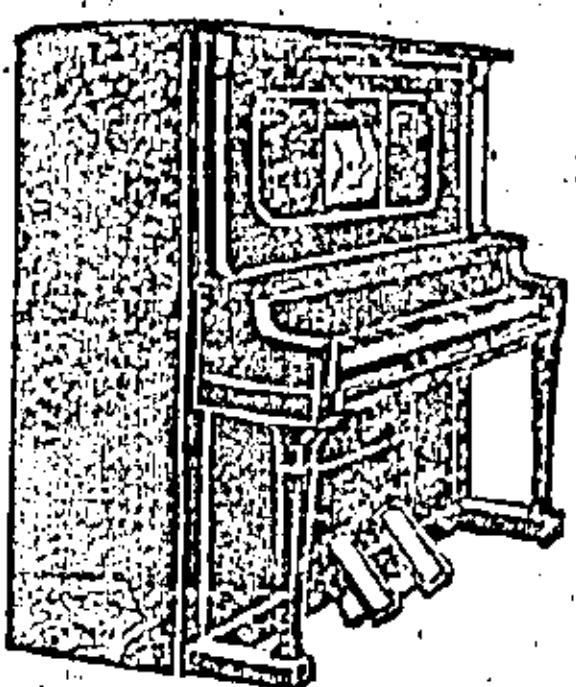
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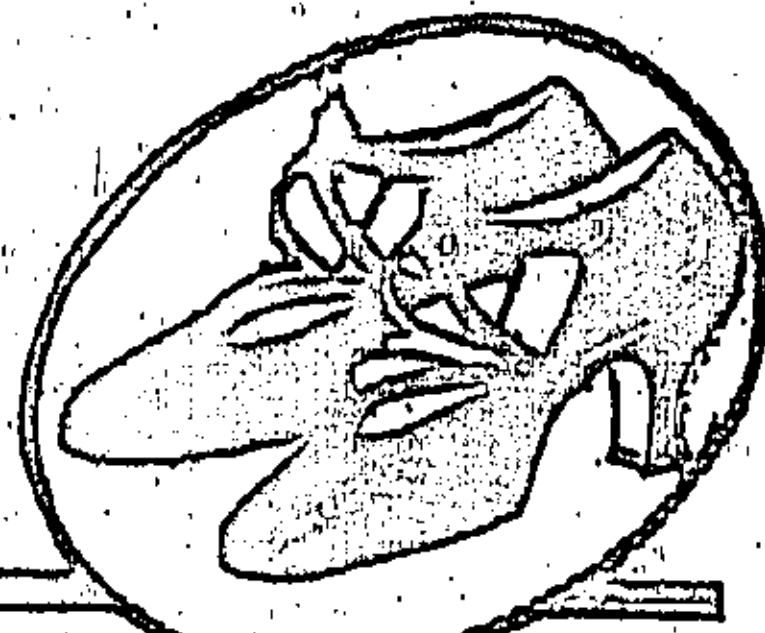
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HOSPITAL SHIP.

MAINE UNDER ORDERS FOR CHINA.

In addition to the first cruiser squadron, it is understood that the hospital ship Maine is under orders to be prepared for service in China. The Maine was formerly the Panama.

Surgeon Captain W. W. Kell, C.M.G., M.B., is in charge, and with him are Surg. Commanders F. J. Gowans, M. B., and H. B. Padwick, D. S. O., B. A. The master of the ship is R. N. Smardon.

Latest information is that the first cruiser squadron, of which particulars have already appeared, will proceed to China when ready. H. M. S. Frobisher, of 9,800 tons and armed with seven 7.5-inch guns, flies the flag of Rear Admiral W. H. D. Boyle, C. B. The Flag Captain is Capt. T. F. P. Culvert, D. S. O., H. M. S. Danae, (Capt. B. A. Ramsay M. V. O.), Dragon (Capt. P. R. Stevens, D.S. O.), Delhi (Capt. E. Manners) and Dauntless (Capt. S. D. Tillard) are of the same type as the original China Squadron cruisers. It is anticipated that they will leave in a few days.

In previous references the names were incorrectly given.

BRITISH COST OF LIVING.

EFFECT OF COAL STRIKE.

Rugby, Jan. 18. The fall in price of domestic coal, following the return to work of miners in Britain, is reflected in the cost of living during December. At January 1st it was approximately 75 per cent. above the level of July 1914, compared with 79 per cent. one month earlier.—British Wireless.

RADIO ADVANCE.

POSSIBLE ELIMINATION OF OPERATOR.

Rugby, Jan. 18. An Englishman employed by the Marconi Company has invented a method of facsimile telegraphic transmission, which is regarded as a significant development in the evolution of wireless telegraphy, and which it is claimed will dispense with the keyboard operator, reduce the possibility of error, and save time and money.—British Wireless.

INDIA'S TARIFFS.

RECOMMENDATION OF TARIFF BOARD.

New Delhi, Jan. 18. The Government of India has published a Bill enforcing the main recommendations of the Tariff Board, continuing the protection of the steel industry for seven years, abolishing bounties on production, but instituting changes in import duties.—Reuter.

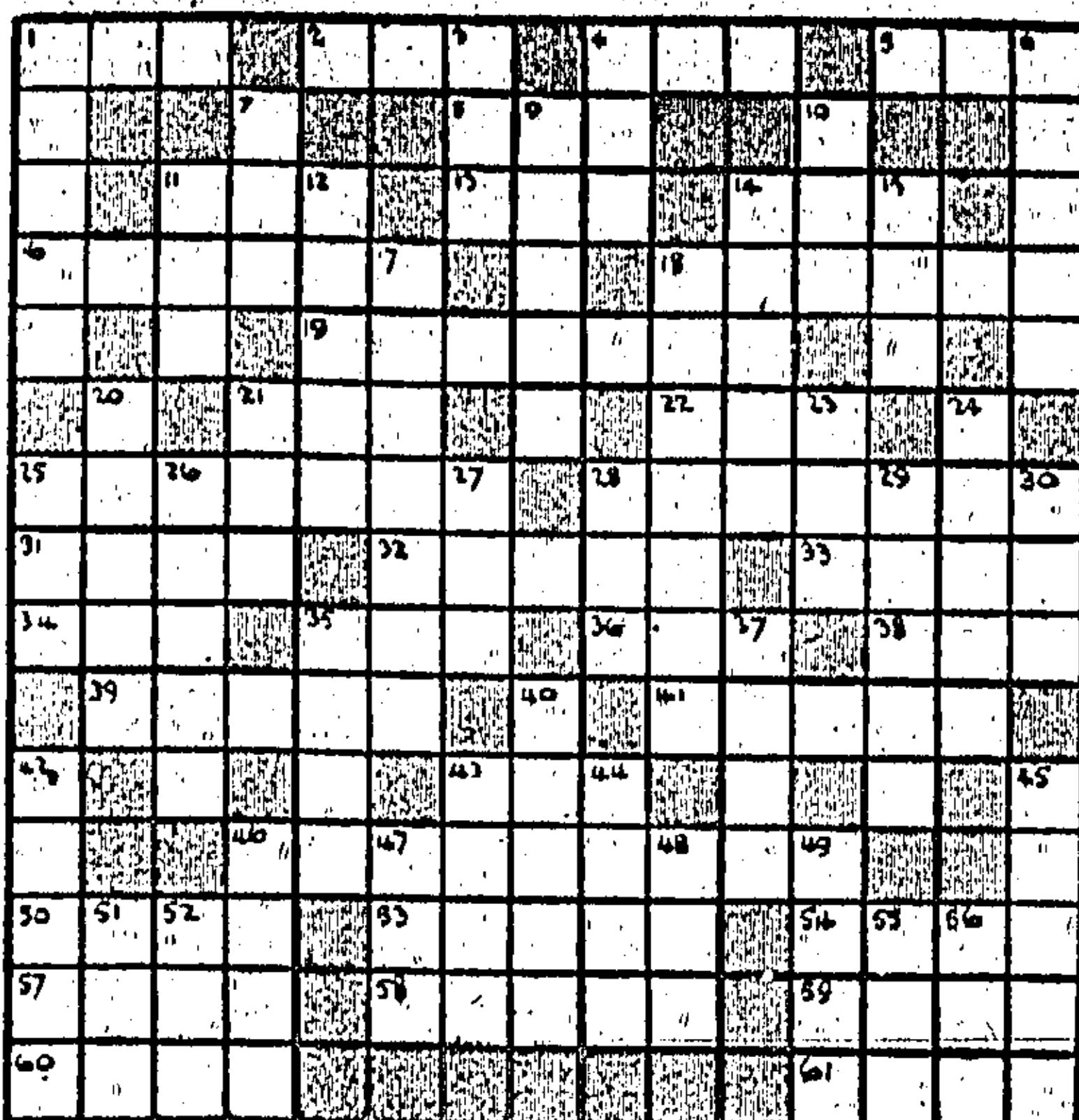
AN EARTHQUAKE.

JAPAN FEELS THE SHOCK.

Tokyo, Jan. 18. A sharp earthquake occurred this morning, heaviest in the northern districts, where clocks stopped and some old walls collapsed, but no material damage was caused and there were no casualties.

The central observatory stated that the shock was centred out at sea.—Reuter.

OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



Across.

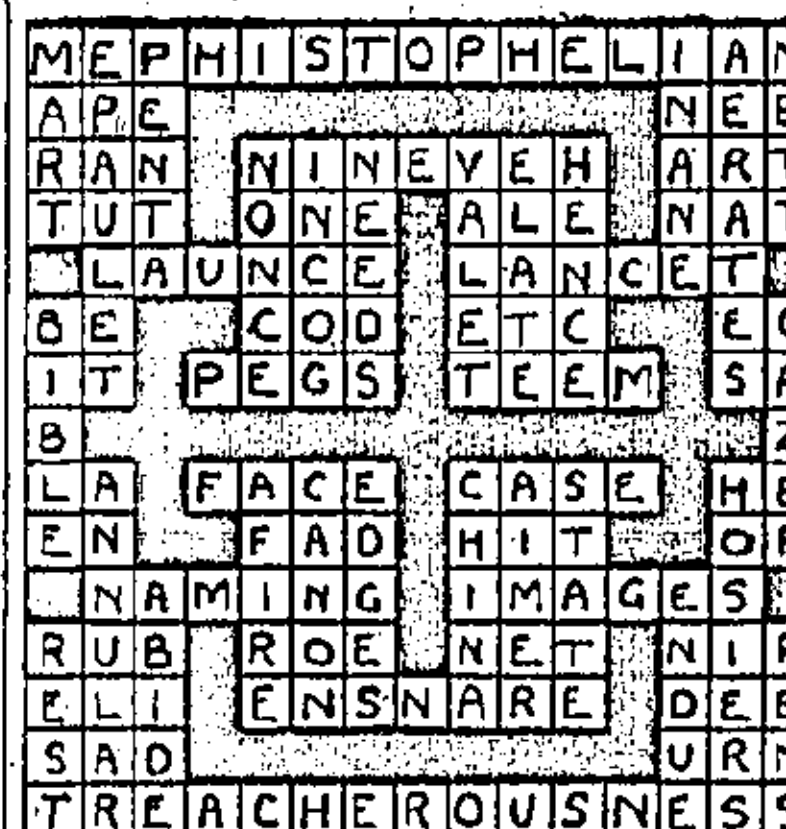
- 1 Lazy fellow.
- 2 Health resort.
- 3 Eggs.
- 4 Inlet (Shetland).
- 5 Tour.
- 6 Portuguese coin.
- 7 Before.
- 8 Cry of a cow.
- 9 Eastern.
- 10 Penetrate.
- 11 Employed by tea firms.
- 12 Even.
- 13 Convinced.
- 14 Directed to the side.
- 15 Rendered unable.
- 16 Extra soul covering.
- 17 Gussets.
- 18 Old gold coin.
- 19 Strike gently.
- 20 Encountered.
- 21 Born.
- 22 Shaded.
- 23 Small drum.
- 24 To ask (Scotch).
- 25 Fruit seed.
- 26 Dwelling place.
- 27 Motion towards.
- 28 Musical work.
- 29 Rich soil.
- 30 Ditch.
- 31 Proliferate.
- 32 Encourage.
- 33 Eagle.
- 34 Guide.

Down.

- 1 Temporary deck.
- 2 Exist.
- 3 Open.
- 4 Pairs.
- 5 Side of a ship.
- 6 Angry.
- 7 Female deer.
- 8 South American port.
- 9 Go in.
- 10 Cloudy matters.
- 11 Fragment.

- 17 American bird.
- 18 Lunda.
- 19 Gold standard.
- 20 Fish.
- 21 Part of the head.
- 22 White of an egg.
- 23 Drink like a dog.
- 24 Sun (Poetical).
- 25 Great amount.
- 26 Lair.
- 27 Dwells.
- 28 Tree.
- 29 Breckwater.
- 30 Heroic.
- 31 Travels.
- 32 American Resin.
- 33 Tube of metal.
- 34 Lively.
- 35 Quietened.
- 36 By memory alone.
- 37 Drunkard.
- 38 No.
- 39 Twelfth month of Jewish year.
- 40 Negative alternative.
- 41 Hake brown.
- 42 Mineral.
- 43 Turkish commander.

Yesterday's Puzzle.



DEMOCRATIC EMPIRE.

GEN. HERTZOG'S TRIBUTE.

General Hertzog, the Prime Minister of South Africa, had a great public welcome in the streets of Capetown on his return from the Imperial Conference in London. At the mayoral reception, which was held under the statue of King Edward in the Grand Parade, he said that "the great act of statesmanship" was accomplished at the conference not by one section or another, but by the work of a united Empire with the soul and spirit behind it of the whole British Empire.

General Hertzog expressed "the deepest gratitude and thanks to Mr. Baldwin and the British Ministers for the attitude which they adopted and the manner in which they assisted us from the Dominions in getting the fullest measure of freedom in the best and heartiest spirit that could be expected from any quarter."

We stand as men come into our inheritance of freedom in the fullest and most complete manner—not as Dutchman and Englishman not as Boer and Briton, and not as Nationalists and South

African party adherents, but as sons of South Africa.

MASTER OF ITS DESTINY.

The civic luncheon in the City Hall in honour of General Hertzog and his fellow delegates was the largest gathering of the kind in the records of South Africa. Dealing again with the results of the conference, General Hertzog said: "I can now use the word Empire with more ease. I have always been a constant antagonist of Imperialism and could never consent to a 'super State' organisation. If you want the Empire to be really strong, then let people understand that each of its members is a free body, or, to quote the words of the Imperial Conference, is master of its own destiny. I am only too glad that this solution has been adopted."

It was no longer necessary to quibble as to whether in the future the Union was to remain in the Empire or to secede, said the Premier, adding: "That is a question we shall have to decide according to the dictates and the interests of our country, and if those interests in years to come were to say, 'Well, it would be best,' then it is not for you or me to-day to say that it should not be done."



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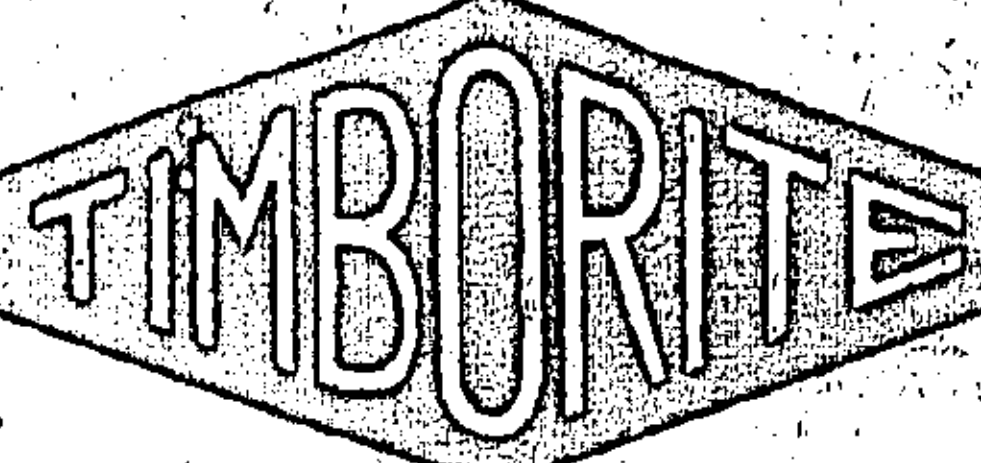
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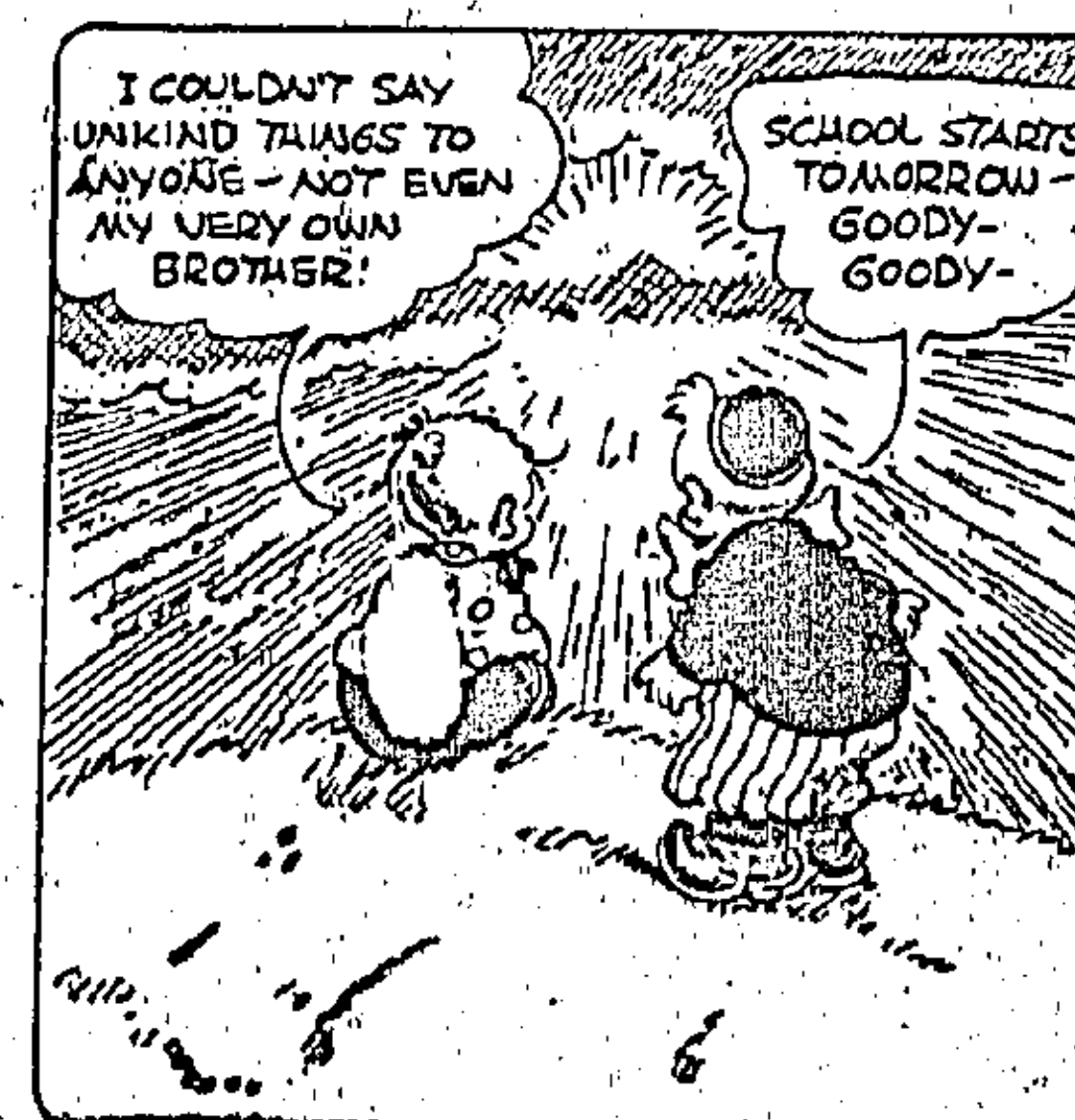
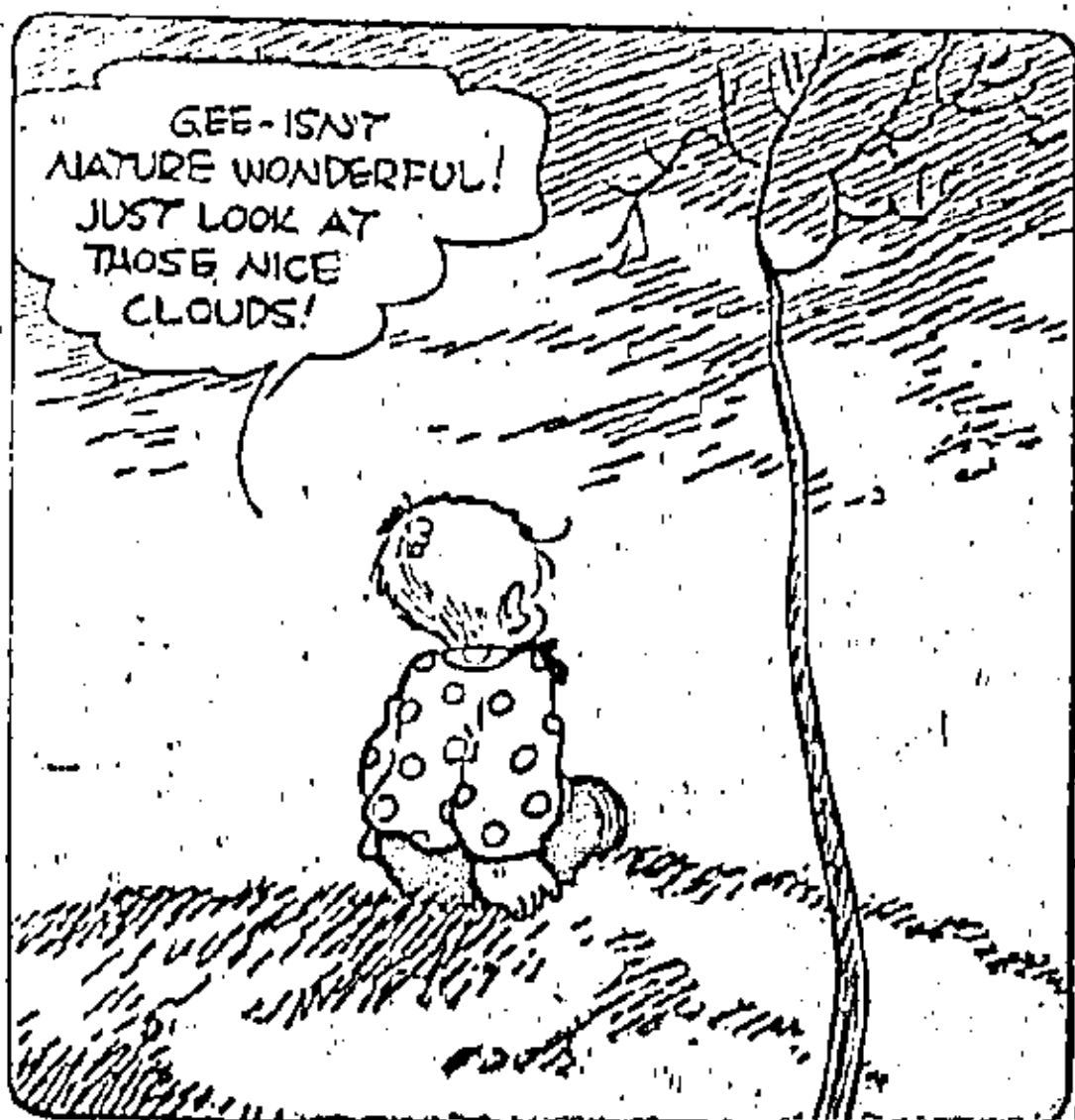
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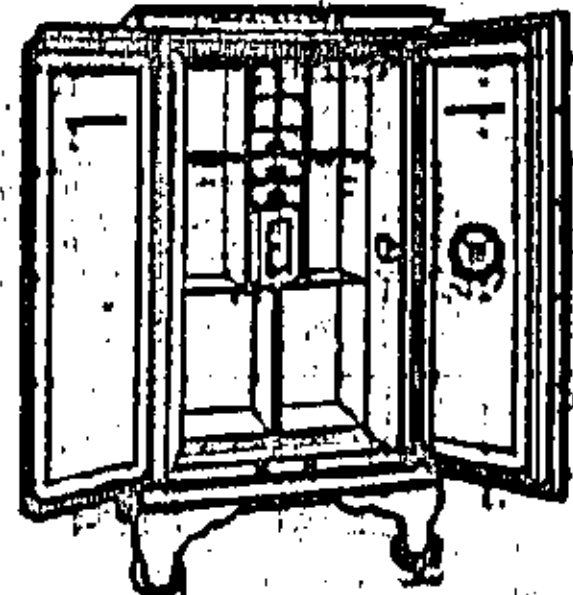
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MURRAY.—At Victoria Hospital, on 18th inst., to C. Q. M. S. and Mrs. W. J. K. Murray, a daughter.

The Telegraph

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19, 1927.

CANTON'S FOOLISH TACTICS.

In the light of Mr. Ramsay MacDonald's outspoken article in *Forward*, which was given in our Monday's issue, it would seem that the attempt of the radical elements in the Cantonese Nationalist party to curry favour with the British Labour Party by sending long telegrams full of lying assertions about "brutal massacres" is doomed to failure. There is not the slightest doubt that the Labour Party in Britain, and, indeed, most thoughtful people, sympathise with the genuine national aspirations of the Chinese and that there is every promise of kindly consideration for reasonable requests made in a spirit of good-will, but the tactics of Canton are far too flagrant a breach of decorum to gain the respect of those who, otherwise, would be sympathetic supporters. In the *Canton Gazette* of Friday last there was the text of a long telegram which had been sent to the British Labour Party by a "Provincial Committee" of the Cantonese Government formed to protest against the recent Nanking incidents, in which it was asserted that British marines had killed and wounded defenceless Chinese citizens at Hankow and had fired guns at Kiukiang. "All these actions on the part of agents of the Conservative British Government are calculated to frustrate the revolutionary movement of the Chinese Nationalists who are struggling for the freedom, independence and equality of China.... We feel that you must be indignant at the brutal massacres of which your Government is guilty. It is earnestly hoped, therefore, that you will watch your Government and try to prevent any repetition of such actions, also that you will demand that all military and naval forces in Chinese territory be withdrawn, that all Concessions in China be restored and all unequal treaties be abolished."

If this is the kind of thing which the Nationalists think is going to impress the British Labour Party, they have had a hearty rebuff in the words of the Labour Leader, Mr. Ramsay Mac-

Donald, who has been loud in his praise of wonderful restraint exercised by the British authorities and troops at Hankow. It is known to be a lie to speak of "brutal massacres." And Mr. MacDonald's insistence on prior negotiation before there is any question of giving up the Concessions ought to impress the Nationalists of the wrongful methods they are now pursuing. It is well known that the British Labour Party is, on principle, favourable to all countries retaining their sovereign rights and it is conceivable that, if certain favourable conditions obtained and effective guarantees were forthcoming, the Party might be prepared to lend its support to the return in full to China of all administrative rights over the Concessions. There are many liberal-minded people outside the British Labour Party who think the same thing, but that is a vastly different proposition to the forceful dispossession such as has occurred at Hankow and Kiukiang. It is not good psychology for Mr. Chen and his followers to suppose that the British Labour Party has no sense of dignity or no appraisal of prestige. And, as Mr. Ramsay MacDonald clearly points out, there can be no question of trucking to anti-British feeling. It might so be that, on the plane of general international policy towards China, there is room for the Powers to make certain readjustments, but there can never be any room for the Nationalists of China to drive Britishers out of their homes with the help of insensate mobs and then to pose as the legally-reinstated authority in charge of Concessions. Britain, aye, and the world too, will be solidly opposed to any such idea, and the Nationalists would do well to remember it. Britain can be liberal, but Britain does not suffer insolent extortion or ejectment.

Re-numbering Needed.

The Canton Municipality is apparently about to embark on a new scheme for the proper numbering of houses in the city. It appears that considerable confusion has arisen because of the irregular numbering of old and new premises, and a uniform system is now proposed, by which houses on one side of a street would be given even numbers and those on the other side, odd numbers. It has been computed that the cost of providing new numbers will be about thirty cents each, but it is suggested that double this price be charged the property-owners, the surplus, amounting to some \$48,000, to be devoted to a training institute for the poor of the city. Why the two matters should be intermingled in this way, we do not know. But that is Canton's business. Our interest in the subject arises from a long-held conviction that we could very well do with a renumbering of houses and business premises in this Colony. Both here on the island and over in Kowloon it is extremely difficult to find any numbers at all on much of the property. Especially is that the case in the business centre of Hongkong, with the result that the task of discovering a given address is extremely difficult. At the moment we are not concerned with the point as to whose business it is to see that the numbering is done, but there can be no two opinions as to the desirability of the whole matter being taken in hand.

EXCHANGE RATES.

Rugby, January 18.	
Paris	122
Geneva	25.19
Berlin	20.45 1/2
Vienna	34.45 1/2
Helsingfors	10.22
Shanghai	6.25 1/2
Brussels	2/6
Milan	34.00
Oslo	11.24 1/2
Prague	10.02
Lisbon	163 1/4
Bombay	2.17 1/2
Yokohama	1.63 1/2
New York	2.06 1/2
Amsterdam	4.85 1/2
Stockholm	12.13 1/2
Copenhagen	18.18
Madrid	18.21 1/4
Buenos Aires	30.02 1/4
Hongkong	46 15/32
Silver (spot)	1.17 1/2
Silver (forward)	25 1/2

—British Wireless.

DAY BY DAY.

NONE BUT YOURSELF WHO ARE YOUR GREATEST FOES.—Longfellow.

There was a clean bill of health in the Colony yesterday.

The P. and O. s.s. Kashmir, which left Shanghai at 3.30 p.m. yesterday, is due here at 6 a.m. on the 21st.

H. E. the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.), is to distribute the prizes to students at Queen's College on Friday, 26th, at 11 a.m.

The Hon. Sir Joseph Kemp, K.C., is to present the prizes at St. Paul's College at 9 p.m. on the 22nd instant. There will be an entertainment at 7.30 p.m.

Arrested with 104 lottery tickets concealed in the sleeves of his coat, a young Chinese, who was charged before Mr. T. W. Ainsworth at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, was fined \$25.

Practically every day unthinking Chinese enter the Court Room of the Kowloon Magistracy wearing hats. Two such men who were seen by a constable and brought before the magistrate this morning were each fined \$1 for contempt of Court.

Local music-lovers are in for a great treat when the Italian Grand Opera Company opens its season at the Star Theatre, Kowloon, on Friday night with "Travatore." The Company has had a big run in Manila, and during its season here it will appear in all the best operas. Full houses are expected, and early booking is urged.

An elderly Chinese, when charged before Mr. T. W. Ainsworth, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, with returning from banishment, asserted that the police had arrested the wrong man. The person who was deported last year was not him, but his brother. The defendant was remanded until to-morrow for the finger-print expert to be called.

The following vessels are expected to be in wireless communication with Hongkong to-day.—Takuda, Yuensang, Denmark, Kashmir, Pfalz, Kalgan, Chaksang, Ruhr, Luchow, President Pierce, Delta, Kasgarh, Angers, Borneo, Taikoo, Wan Yi, Sochow, Times, Maru, Mishima Maru, Honolulu Maru, Taikwa Maru and Aki Maru.

Thefts from passengers' cabins aboard ships berthed alongside the Kowloon Godown wharves, have been frequently reported. The latest instances occurred on the President Garfield yesterday, the officers of which have reported to the Water Police Station that three different cabins were entered, and money and valuables were stolen to the value of \$200.

Rescuing of probate of the will of Mr. William Murray Scott, formerly of Hongkong, and late of Wakenills, Haslemere, Surrey, who died at 21, Bentinck Street, London, on June 30 last, has been granted to Mr. G. G. N. Tinson, solicitor of Hongkong, appointed attorney of Mrs. Helen Gertrude Scott, the executrix. Mr. Scott left net estate in Great Britain of £12,155 and in Hongkong to the net value of \$24,936. Various bequests are made to his widow and relatives.

A small cargo boat which left Shauiwan yesterday for Peng Chau Island in the Mts Bay district was attacked and robbed when between Fautauun and Ching Chou. A smaller boat came alongside with three armed men on board. Two had revolvers and the other a rifle. Boarding the cargo boat, they imprisoned the master and his grandson in the hold, and stole money, kerosene and rice to the value of \$117, and then made good their escape in the direction of Stanley.

The old Shanghai town hall located at 50 Nanjing Road, for many years a landmark in the International Settlement, has been sold, the deal having been consummated through the agency of the Asia Realty Co. The purchaser of the property is the China Co., Ltd., which plans within two years to construct a modern department store to be known as the Dah Wah Co. The old town hall site was bought by the Shanghai Municipal Council in 1882 for the sum of £15,000, the area being 7,556 sq. ft. at about £15, 3/600 per sq. ft. Owing to street widening the net area now is 0.482, or approximately 6 1/2 mow. The total consideration for the purchase of the site by the China Co., Ltd., is reported to be £1,200,000.

CORRESPONDENCE.

SCHOOL RESULTS.

[To the Editor of the Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir,—I have read from time to time with much interest some of the statements in the Press regarding local schools. It has often been said that schools entirely run by Chinese are never so successful, but the published returns of the Hongkong University Examinations go to disprove this. Among the larger schools of the Colony, Queen's College was the first last year, followed by Wah Yan College. For three successive years before this, Wah Yan was first.

In the Junior Locals, this year Wah Yan won first place. This school has a staff wholly Chinese and is not so generously staffed and well equipped as some institutions constantly referred to in the Press.

It is said that the College staff hopes in the near future to launch an appeal for funds to put up and equip a building of their own. When this is done I hope the Government and the generous Hongkong public will come to the fore.

I have no axe to grind except that I like a little honour given to those who deserve it. The school is little known, I think, but nevertheless it is doing good work.—Yours, etc., "RENDER UNTO CAESAR."

Hongkong, January 18, 1927.

CHLOROFORM USED.

ROGUE SENT TO PRISON.

The Chinese who yesterday represented to the Magistrate that he was, in effect, the victim of a "planted charge" instigated by a jealous woman, was this morning found guilty on a charge of being in possession of chloroform for a felonious purpose.

Further evidence adduced to-day was to the effect that the defendant used chloroform on the women he visited to make them insensible while he robbed them of their jewellery, and when this method failed, on account of one particular victim being exceptionally suspicious, he produced gold-filled trinkets and offered to exchange them for the genuine ones belonging to her. Needless to say he did not tell the women that his "presents" were absolutely worthless.

Mr. Lindsay also heard formal evidence from Mr. Doyce as to the nature of the chloroform, and the defendant was sentenced to six months' hard labour.

DELPHIC FESTIVAL.

BIG ATTRACTION ARRANGED.

A Pageant of Ancient Greece is to take place at Delphi on May 9th and 10th, when performances of a modern Greek translation of Aeschylus' great drama, "Prometheus Bound," are to be given in the ruined Theatre adjacent to the Temple of Apollo.

Despite the natural difficulties, no pains are being spared to make the performances as realistic as possible. Among other features, the Chorus will be restored to its proper significance in the ancient drama, the main motive of which was to express the emotions and sentiments of the actors in poetry, music and dancing. In addition athletic games and National dances will be held in the ancient stadium.

There is no accommodation for strangers in the near-by village, but fortunately the harbour of Itea which is served by steamers from Piræus and other Greek ports, is within half an hour of Delphi by automobile. As each performance will last two days it will be necessary for those who wish to witness the complete play to return to Itea and spend the night of the first day on board. Meals will be prepared on the steamers and served in commodious shelters to be erected on the foothills of Parnassus, overlooking the Sacred Precinct. The Ancient Theatre, or rather what remains of it, only holds two thousand people and, as a considerable demand is expected, application for tickets should be made without delay. Steps to secure these can be taken though, and all further information can be obtained at the local offices of Messrs. Thos. Cook and Son.

The Very Idea!

Longfellow was capable of making a joke at his own expense, as he showed one day when he was introduced to a Mr. Longworth. The introducer commented on the fact that the first syllables of their names were the same. "Yes," said the poet, "but in this case I fear Pope's lines will apply: 'Worth makes the man, the want of worth the fellow.'"

The clumsy fellow stepped upon the poor conductor's toes. The Conductor punched his transfer and He also punched his nose.

Mr. A. J. Cook's two children are to be brought up as "dyed-in-the-wool Bolsheviks." Their father made an announcement to this effect, amid vociferous cheers, before the conference in Moscow of the organisation of young Communist pioneers, or Boy Scouts of Russia, when he declared his intention to send his children to Moscow in order that their education might contain a good grounding in the principles of Communism.

More "howlers."—An epitaph is a horse with the head of a man.

A hostage is a lady who entertains visitors.

An epigram is a man who goes from one country to another.

The Magna Charta forbade any taxis.

Midland solicitor: Have you seen your daughter drunk? Man: Well, not out of place.

Woman at Shoreditch County Court: He struck me with my baby! Solicitor: With your baby! What do you mean? Woman: He struck me while I was holding my baby.

The Ministry of Agriculture prosecuted at Croydon Horace Russell, of Old Town, Croydon, and Ernest Rogers, of Hill-street, Croydon, for selling from a stall in Croydon Market Jersey tomatoes as "Worthing-grown" tomatoes. Arthur Hoare, an inspector, said that Rogers, who was employed by Russell, had a card on the stall, "Warranted English Tomatoes, Worthing grown, 3d. per lb." When the witness spoke to Rogers the latter said that everybody was doing it. The price of Worthing tomatoes was 4s. 6d. a dozen pounds. It was stated that the British Glasshouse Produce Association had spent about £50,000, in trying to educate the public to ask for a higher-class fruit, and their efforts were being nullified by people using their propaganda for an inferior class of goods. Russell was fined 20s. and Rogers 10s.

Personal.—B. V. Come home at once.—D. Chicago paper. And we always hoped the B. V. Ds. wouldn't separate, whatever else happened.—The New Yorker.

Is anybody a bookmaker now?—Mr. Justice Roche.

If I thought I was going to listen every evening for the remainder of my life to broadcast speeches from Parliament I should be inclined to do away with my set.—Sir Arthur Stanley.

Detectives who drove to the house of Christopher Healy, a plumber, of Phibburo-road, Dublin, found concealed in the garden 32,200 rounds of ammunition. Healy was brought up in the police court. Superintendent Ennis said that when he found the ammunition, he showed it to Healy, and asked him could he account for it. His reply was, "It must have grown there." Healy was remanded.

According to the report of the Royal Observatory, fresh monsoon rain again is expected. The forecast up till noon to-morrow is: North-east winds, fresh; overcast at first, finer later.

Owing to the Roof Garden being occupied by the dinner dance of members of the Hongkong Automobile Association, the Grill Room service at the Hongkong Hotel on Friday evening, will be transferred to the dining room.

**SALVAGE WORK ON
"LIENSHING."****FOUR BOXES OF SPECIE
RECOVERED.****REFLOATING UNLIKELY.**

Under instructions from Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Company, owners of the vessel lying near Amherst Rock, the salvage work for four boxes of the Lienshing, each containing gold bars to the value of some Tls. 10,000, has been carried out since Sunday afternoon, under the supervision of Mr. Okada, engineer of the Imperial Salvage Company, says the Shanghai Mercury of Friday last.

It is reported that the boxes in question were all successfully hauled up from the treasure room of the ill-fated vessel on Wednesday afternoon by a number of Japanese divers. It is learned that the specie, shipped by a Chinese native bank in Tientsin, was on its way to Shanghai.

As to the salvage of the hull of the vessel, Mr. Hayashi, engineer of the Tokyo Salvage Company, is conducting a survey. But, according to him, conditions have become so bad since that there is now little hope of refloating the vessel, and covering the starboard of the vessel some 16 ft. deep.

LOTTERY TICKETS.**ONLY "A LITTLE FLING."**

When a Chinese lime-washing contractor was charged before Mr. Schofield this morning in connection with the discovery of *san pi* lottery tickets on him, Mr. McCallum, for the defence, argued that it could not be held against his client that he was trafficking, because of his business position and of the negligible value of the tickets seized. His case was like that of many others in the Colony, and the offence was no more than that of "having a little fling."

His Worship said he was prepared to accept the plea, but he thought the defendant must have bought many similar lottery tickets and had not been previously caught.

Mr. McCallum, in describing himself as a possible offender, by having himself bought one or two lottery tickets, asked if it was not bringing the law into ridicule by the Court's attitude on these matters? This was one of those offences at which Mr. Callum believed the Court might have shut its eyes.

Mr. McCallum reminded his Worship of the Court's previous decisions in cases where personal possession only was adduced.

His Worship discharged the defendant, but ordered the confiscation of the tickets.

HUNGRY MAN.**WILL GET FOOD IN CAOL.**

In a case in which a Chinese rag-and-bone man was charged with being in unlawful possession of a number of empty glass bottles to-day, the Magistrate looked at the defendant's police record, and discovered that in 1924 he had been summoned three times for the very same offence.

His Worship:—Why you should specialise in glass bottles I don't know.

Then noticing the famished look of the defendant, his Worship remarked:—"I'll send him to gaol to feed him up a bit. Four weeks."

TOBACCO DIVIDEND.**IMPERIAL COMPANY'S FINAL
FIGURES.**

London, Jan. 18. A final dividend of nine per cent. plus a bonus of eighteen pence on the ordinary shares has been announced by the Imperial Tobacco Company, making a total dividend for the year of 24 per cent.—*Reuter*.

RETURNING HOME.**MR. MACMURRAY LEAVES
PEKING.**

Peking, Jan. 18. The American Minister, Mr. J. V. MacMurray is leaving for Washington this evening, via Korea.—*Reuter*.

HANKOW TENSION.**RECENT INCIDENTS
OUTLINED.****FIGHT BETWEEN PICKETS.**

Hankow papers to hand, reporting on conditions there during the week-end, January 8th-9th, state that the prevailing quietness was disturbed between the hours of four and six on Saturday afternoon by fighting between rival factions of pickets on Hunan and Faucheng Roads. Inquiries made of the pickets after the fighting was over elicited the fact that it was purely a fight between the native city pickets and the original band of pickets introduced with the B.C.C. strike.

These latter it appears made disparaging remarks about the qualities of the native city pickets as guardians of the British Concession, and it was decided to arrest one of them in order that the matter might be thrashed out at Union headquarters. This led to the trouble: the B.C.C. picket had no intention of being arrested, and his comrades being of the same opinion they came to blows.

FIGHT AT HANKOW CLUB.

Reinforcements were rushed for by both sides, and while these were en route the centre of activity drifted to Faucheng Road, and a pitched battle was ultimately fought out on the Hankow Club lawn and its vicinity; the argument was eventually settled by the arrival of armed police whose officers after a great deal of argument persuaded the parties to cease their strife, and depart; leaving the properly appointed pickets in charge of the Club grounds. The wounded went to the Roman Catholic hospital, one man to all appearances having been very seriously injured. By half past six all was quiet again, the majority of the pickets having been persuaded to leave the Hankow Club compound. However, on Sunday morning they were all back again.

A CHANGE OF POLICY.

On Sunday a change of policy was illustrated by the order to tear down the posters referring to the British. This was carried out but in their place a considerable number of placards welcoming General Chang Kai-shek were put up. Whether on account of the anti-Kuomintang Society or through a misunderstanding by the force taking down posters is not clear, but the welcoming ones disappeared from the walls nearly as soon as they appeared.

The evacuation of foreign women and children continued. Sunday saw all British subjects leaving both Wuchang and Hanyang. It is also reported that the consuls of some of the other nationalities in port are advising their women folk to leave. Perhaps this is due to the fact that the British Concession on Sunday witnessed considerable throngs again wandering about with agitators addressing different bunches. In one case a lecturer commenced addressing a crowd from the Cenotaph but he had not been long in position when a military car with two foreign dressed Chinese appeared on the scene and he was bundled off in the vehicle. Notwithstanding this and other attempts to keep order by getting gendarmes to keep the crowds moving, Sunday witnessed a slight increase in the tension which had somewhat relaxed on Saturday on account of the deserted streets and on account of the rain.

Mr. E. Burmeister, who was stabbed by coolies on Sin Seng Road when the troubles first broke out, is still at the International Hospital in a critical condition. He has lost a tremendous amount of blood, having received thirty-six knife wounds, and has made little progress toward recovery.

AMERICANS HELD UP.

Mr. Arthur M. Guttery, of the Hankow Y.M.C.A., and Mr. P. W. Brown, member of the committee of the Shanghai Navy Y.M.C.A., both Americans, were recipients of attentions from coolies on Friday.

Mr. Brown had just arrived on a trip to Hankow to inspect the Navy Y.M.C.A., and Mr. Guttery went to the boat to meet him. He had but two handbags, which the Americans thought they would carry themselves to avoid possible quarrel with the coolies. As soon as they stepped on the foreshore, however, their bags were snatched

**THE CANTON BOYCOTT
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MOVEMENT ALIVE.****MORE INVESTIGATIONS.**

It is reported from Canton that the Anti-British Boycott Extension Committee has held a meeting for the purpose of devising plans to set up depots for the cheap sale of British goods which merchants are being asked to hand over.

One proposal which came before the meeting was that a petition be sent to the Government asking the use of the Yunnanese Civic Guild building and a section of the building formerly occupied by the Provincial Kuomintang. During the discussion, however, the difficulty was mentioned of getting sufficient British goods to display, since many merchants had not even answered the Committee's enquiries. Consequently, it was resolved to take steps to induce the merchants to comply with the Committee's proposals.

Another matter which came up for discussion was the question of preventing the importation of British timber into Canton and it was resolved to form a special Investigation Corps to visit all timber yards in Canton and investigate the stocks held.

MURDER TRIAL.**CONTINUED AT THE
SESSIONS.**

Police evidence to-day against the Chinese who is on trial at the Criminal Sessions, before Sir Henry Gollan, charged with the murder of the caretaker and accountant of the Sik Ying Seamen's Club at Cheung On Street, Kowloon City, was to the effect that prisoner was wearing clothing belonging to a witness for the prosecution when he was arrested.

Cross-examining Sgt. Whelan, Mr. Fitzroy suggested that the clothing could easily have been identified because of certain holes and tears. The witness stated that the trousers and coat were concealed for the purposes of the identification amongst other clothing secured from second-hand shops as much like the exhibits as possible.

Inspector Reynolds, asked by Mr. Fitzroy if he knew anything of Triad Societies, said he could identify certain marks with the aid of a book.

Sir Joseph Kemp (for the Crown):—Stanton?

Witness:—Yes.

Sir Henry Gollan:—Is that Sir George Stanton who translated the *Tai Ching Luk*?

Sir Joseph Kemp:—I don't think so. I think he was a police officer. His book is taken as an authority in Secret Society cases under the ordinance.

The case is proceeding.

from them by a group of coolies who would not let the foreigners carry them.

ABSURD DEMANDS.

Halfway up the foreshore toward the Bund, the coolies put the bags down and opened negotiations on rates. They demanded sixty dollars, thirty dollars for carrying each bag a distance of about two hundred feet. Mr. Brown and Mr. Guttery turned their pockets inside out, and their total assets showed slightly less than five dollars. Compromise on the rate was then effected for everything they had in the way of cash. The bags proceeded toward the Bund.

At the edge of the Bund the coolies put the baggage down and brought forth a new demand. Ten dollars each, payable immediately, before Mr. Brown and Mr. Guttery would be allowed to go up the step to the Bund. Pickets on duty gathered, and upon being appealed to for assistance, explained that it was none of their business.

A crowd of ricksha coolies came up, most of whom knew Mr. Guttery, and tried to settle the fee for allowing them to gain the Bund at the price of fifty cents each. This was hoisted, but settlement was finally made by Mr. Guttery giving the coolies his signed chit for \$2.

Negotiations concluded, they entered rickshas and went on their way. Mr. Brown, who had come up for a few days' visit, decided he had seen enough of Hankow in three hours, and left on a vessel for Shanghai the same evening he arrived.

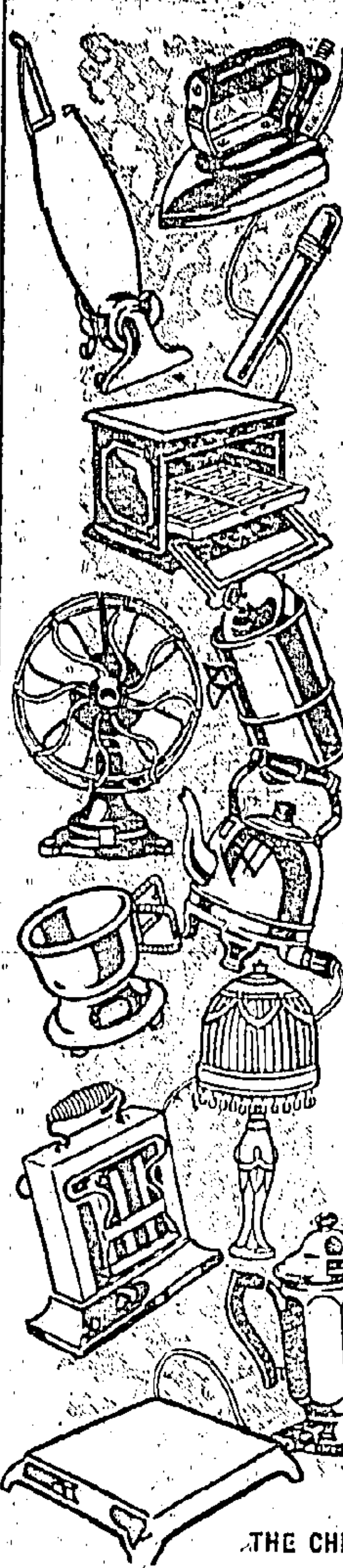
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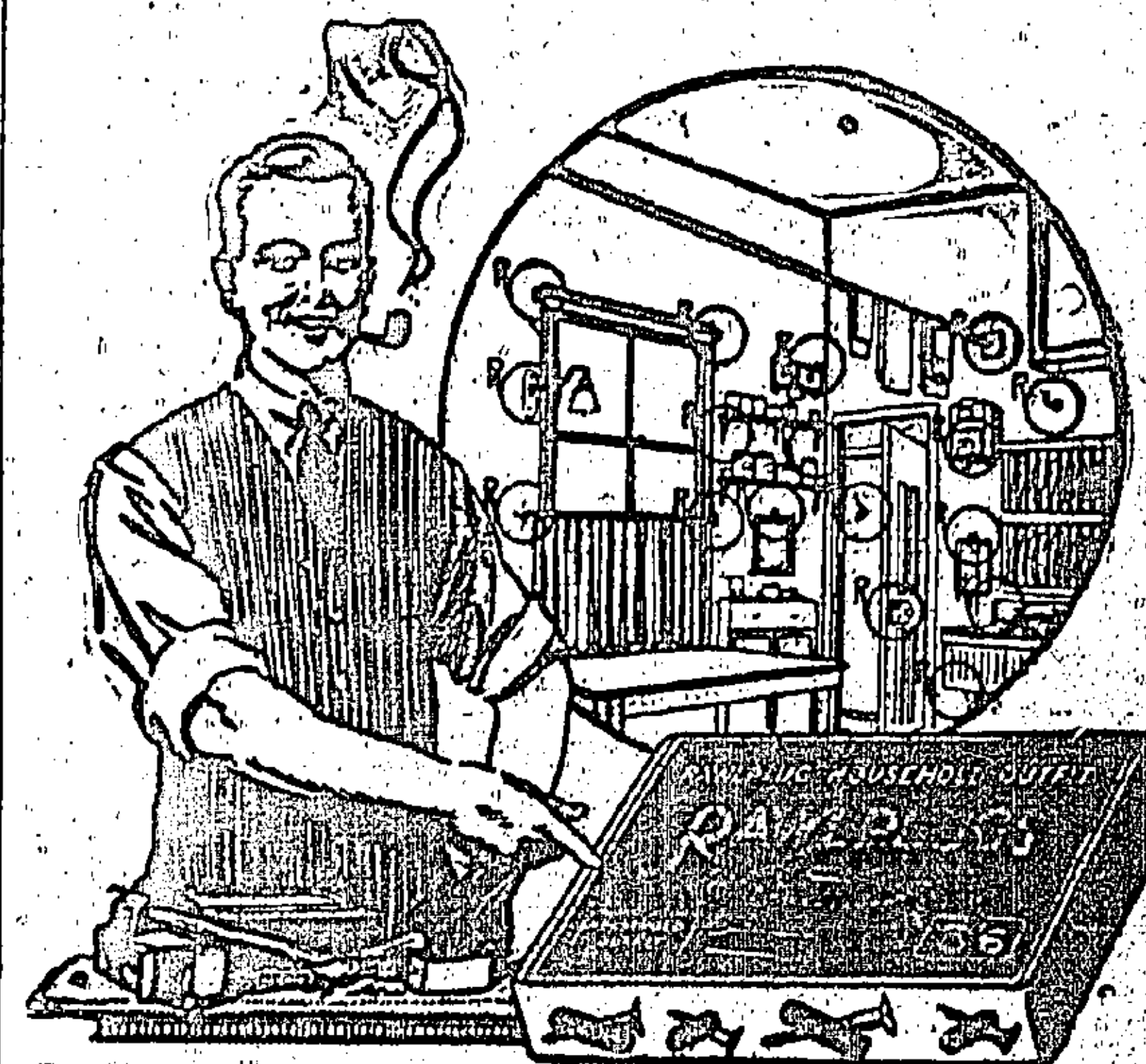
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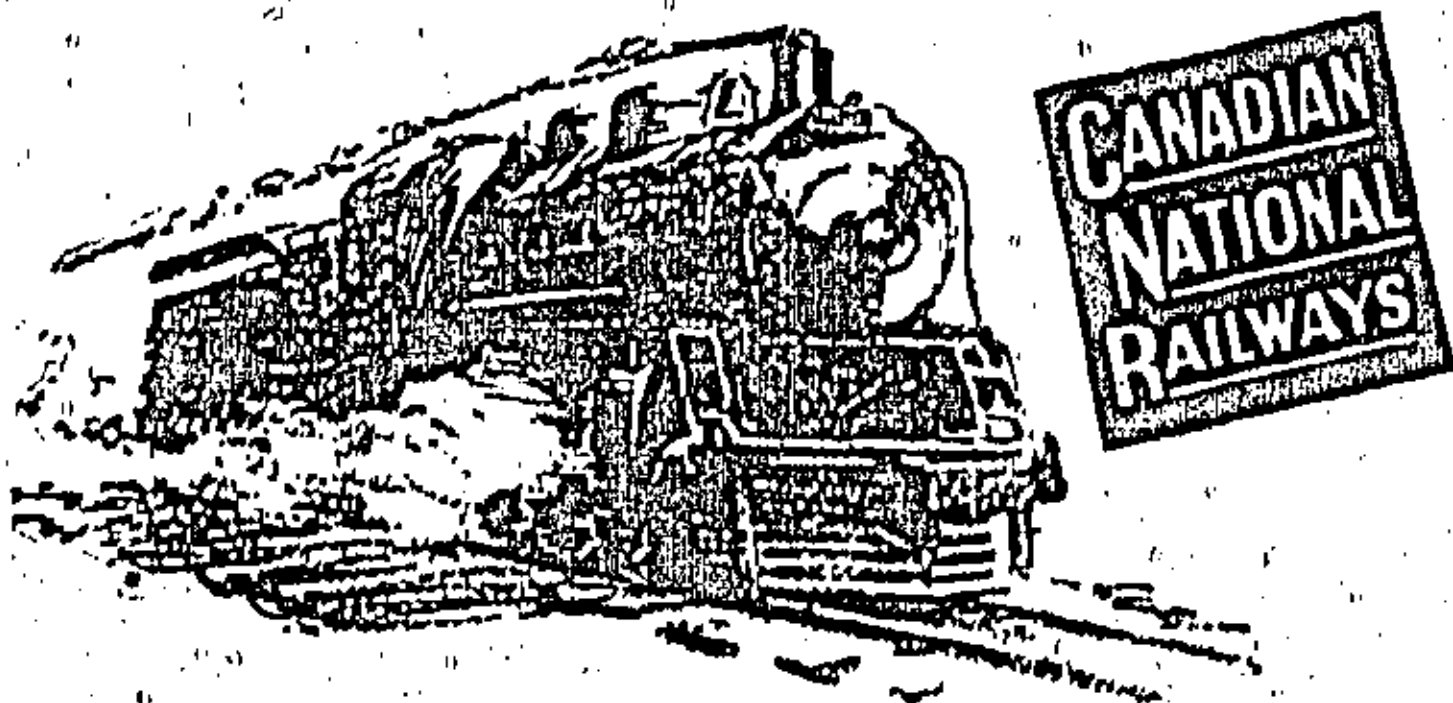
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HARROW AND THE RUGBY GAME.

INTERVIEW WITH THE HEADMASTER.

The question of the adoption of the Rugby code at Harrow School has been discussed at intervals for several years since the war. For a period before 1914 it was played during the Easter term, but, later, Association took its place, the Harrow football game, which is a traditional institution on the Hill, being played between Founder's Day and Christmas.

The handling code has some very keen partisans among the masters and the boys of the school, and several of the assistant masters are members of the Harrow Rugby Club, and play each Saturday, among them, Mr. E. F. Housden and Mr. R. L. Holdsworth, the old Reptonian and Oxford University cricketer and Soccer Blue, who both take a leading part in connection with the sport at the school.

This term the question of the adoption of the Rugby game has again come up, and very serious consideration has been given to it.

Dr. Cyril Norwood, the Headmaster, in an interview with an Observer representative, gave a clear explanation of the new proposal. He said:—

"The question of the introduction of the Rugby game to Harrow School has been mentioned to me on many occasions since I have been here, by old Harrovians, as well as by parents, masters, and boys. I thought the matter over very seriously, and I came to the conclusion that the best method would be to adopt Rugby after Founder's Day and to play it until the end of the Christmas term, and that the Harrow game should be played during the Lent term instead of Association.

"The first opinion I took on the proposal was that of the masters, and at a meeting the scheme was approved, mem. con., forty-six of them voting in favour.

"I next placed the matter before the Philathetic Club, which is a co-optive body and not elective. It is composed of seventeen of the older boys at the school, whose opinion is valuable as representing the school. They considered the matter very fully and carefully, and in the end, by a majority, they disapproved of the proposal.

"I next took a vote of the school. It was not a compulsory vote, and the result was that 366 voted in favour and 214 against. There the matter rests at present. Although these opinions have been taken no decision has been made.

"The view of old Harrovians," Dr. Norwood continued, "naturally has to be considered, but theirs is only one view that would have to be taken into account. The position of the Harrow game will not be affected. It will remain just the same, but will be played during the term, when the House matches will be decided and the games with Old Harrovians played. The practice of awarding 'hannels' to those who secure their place in the eleven will be retained and the traditional games will be played on Founder's Day.

"Association," he said, "is played for five weeks in the Lent term, but it is not taken very seriously. It is a highly scientific game nowadays, and the condition of our football fields and the short period in which it is played are considered to be against the attainment of a high standard. The final decision in the matter will rest with the Governors, and will be made probably in February next.



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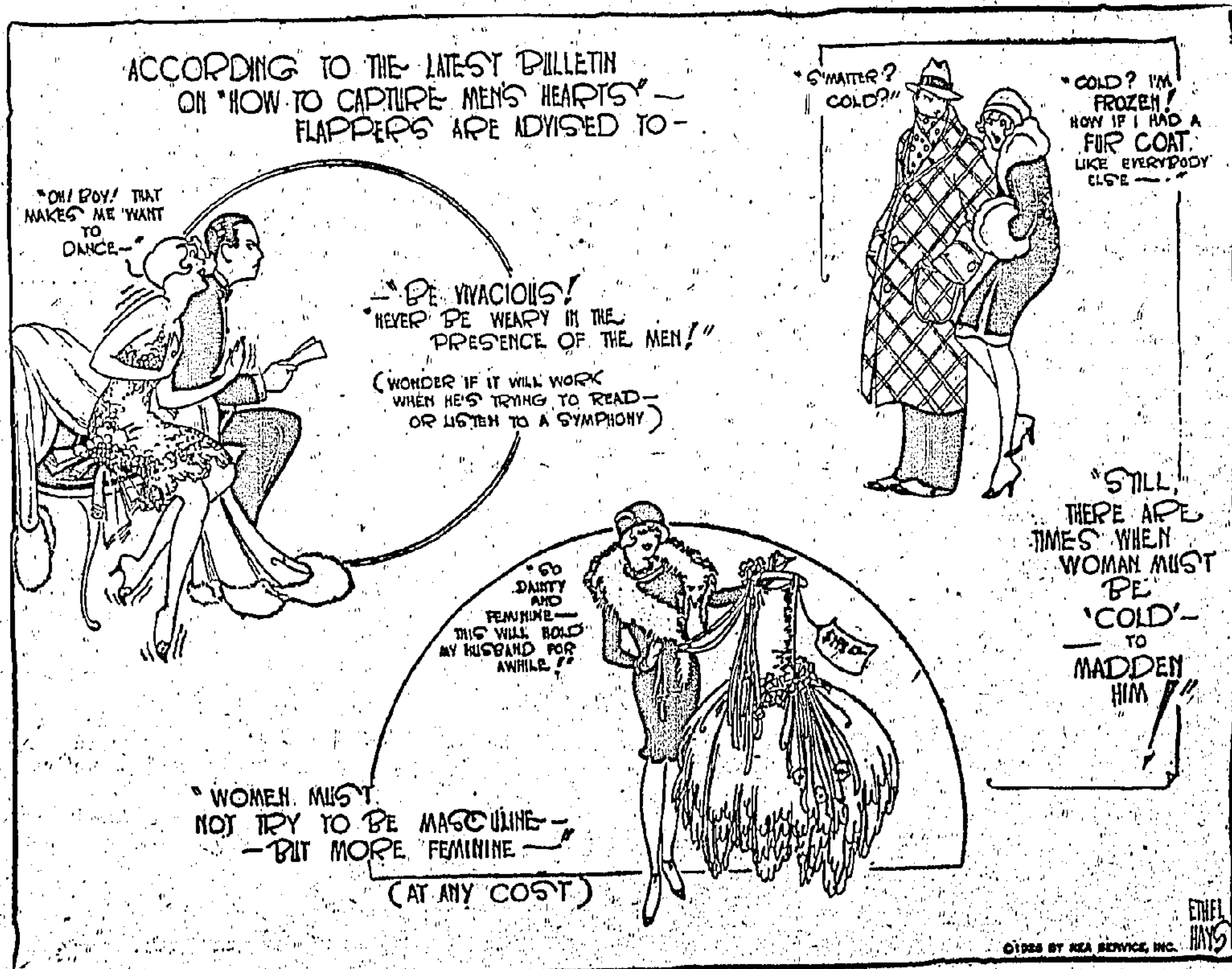
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FOOD BY WEIGHT.**CHECK ON FRAUDULENT TRADERS.**

When the President of the Board of Trade, Sir P. Cunliffe-Lister, moved the second reading of the Sale of Food (Weights and Measures) Bill recently, he announced an important change in the Measure which is not likely to please the housewife.

The Bill, which embodies recommendations made many months ago by the Food Council, prescribed in its original form that a number of the principal articles of food shall be sold by net weight only, but the Government now propose to alter it to enable the trader to include the weight of the wrapper in the case of many foodstuffs that are usually weighed direct into paper containers. The purchaser, therefore, will still have to pay for the bag.

This is one of the results of the introduction of spring scales, since, as the President explained, while it would have been possible in the old type of balance scales to put another bag in the weight pan as an allowance, no such counter weight is possible in the case of the spring instruments.

The weight of the bag is, however, to be limited to 2½ to 4½ drams of paper per lb. A dram is one-sixteenth of an ounce, so that the purchaser of sugar, for instance, will get roughly a quarter of an ounce of paper with every pound.

Weight Tickets With Meat.

Ten, coffee, cocoa, chocolate, and potatoes are to be sold strictly by net weight, no allowance for wrapping being permitted.

Pre-packed articles of any of the foods mentioned above are to bear on the wrapper a statement of the net weight at the time of packing or importation, whichever is the later.

Retail butchers may not sell meat except by net weight, and a statement of the net weight must accompany it when delivered at the purchasers' house.

Drainage or evaporation may, however, be successfully pleaded as an excuse for short weight, provided a butcher also proves that he took due care and precaution to prevent loss by such means.

Bread, other than fancy bread, must be sold by net weight only.

Short Weight Rampant.

In commending the Bill, Sir P. Cunliffe-Lister said that there was an enormous amount of evidence from all over the country that the public needed further protection from fraudulent traders. In Glasgow, out of 23,000 tests made there were 3,600 cases of short weight, and in the Metropolitan district of Essex 45 out of 68 samples of milk tested were found to be deficient.

He regretted that there were insuperable difficulties in the way of extending the application of the Bill generally to wholesale traders, but articles prepacked by the wholesaler were not to be excluded.

"Dishonest" Traders.

For the Socialists, Mr. Sidney Webb (Seaham) gave the Bill official support in principle.

Mr. George Harvey (C. Lambeth) complained that the Bill really proclaimed that retail grocers and butchers were dishonest and required policing.

The Bill was read a second time without a division, but considerable amendments appear likely when it reaches the committee stage.

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THE KING'S EMPIRE XMAS PUDDING.



Representatives of the Dominions attended at the ceremonial stirring of the King's Empire Christmas pudding at the Overseas League building. The Earl of Meath (right) is seen leading the toast.

BRITAIN'S SHOW OF FORCE.

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ed, if necessary, to defend our
nationals in Shanghai and our legi-
timate interests in China, from
assaults which are openly inspired
and even directed by enemies of
this country. The arrangements
legally in force as between China
and the rest of the world may
need revision, and the British Gov-
ernment have shown that they
are perfectly willing to discuss in
the most friendly spirit any modifi-
cations and improvements in the
existing Treaty relationships as
soon as they are presented in the
proper form by authorities who
can reasonably claim to repre-
sent the Chinese people. They
will not submit to alterations
prompted by the avowed enemies
of this country and backed by
threats of violence. Some demon-
stration is due in the East, suffi-
cient to carry the conviction that,
however great and consistent our
moderation and however anxious
we may be to set no stone in the
path of genuine and reputable na-
tional ambitions, yet the open en-
emies of Britain have still to
reckon with the strong arm which
hesitates to strike, but is ready to
defend British nationals and British
rights, if need be by force of
arms.—British Wireless.

CHENG TU SITUATION.

MISSIONARIES DECLINE TO LEAVE.

Peking, Jan. 18.
A message from Chengtu states
that despite the evacuation order,
twelve men missionaries, twelve
women and five children are re-
maining in Chengtu. The Consul
and Vice-Consul are leaving on
January 21st.

Only six women remain at
Chungking.—*Reuter*.

CHANGSHA PROTEST.

OBJECTION TO MARINES LANDING.

A Chinese telegram received
last night from Shanghai states
that the Bureau of Foreign Affairs
at Changsha has telegraphically
reported to Mr. Eugene Chen that a
number of British marines intended to
land there and that the populace
is greatly excited over the matter.
A request was made that the
matter be taken up by Mr. Eugene
Chen with the British authorities.
This news has not been confirm-
ed from any other source.

AIR MINISTER'S TOUR.

SEEING NORTH WEST
FRONTIER.

London, Jan. 18.
Sir Samuel Hoare, Air Minister,
who is now making an aerial tour
on the North-West Frontier of
India, arrived at Peshawar to-day,
from Lahore.—*British Wireless*.

The Director of Education, Mr.
A. E. Wood, will distribute the
prizes at the Vernacular Middle
School on Tuesday 25th January.

Assistant-Secretary of the As-
sociated Society of Locomotive
Engineers and Firemen, Mr.
George Moore has died aged 69.

CHANGSHA INCIDENT.

OBSTACLES IN WAY OF
EVACUATION.

A Hankow message of the 13th
inst. states—Though the evacua-
tion of Hankow, Kiukiang and
other points down-river has been
carried out with the minimum of
delay the British authorities are
still confronted with a very diffi-
cult problem in connection with
the general evacuation order is-
sued in respect of all British sub-
jects in the interior of Szechwan,
Hunan and Hupeh. Many of these
have to journey hundreds of miles
by cart, chair and other convey-
ance before they reach the river,
and what would in any event be
a slow and painful process is now
being hindered by the obstructive
tactics of some of the up-river
labour unions.

For instance, at Changsha yester-
day a number of refugees who
were placed on board small
launches had to be transferred to
H.M.S. Woodcock owing to the ac-
tion of the seamen's union in or-
ganising a boycott.

Later, the military endeavoured
to prevent the Woodcock from de-
parting. When approached here
Mr. Eugene Chen telegraphed the
Changsha authorities directing
that the vessel should be allowed
to proceed without interference.

TO DEFEND SHANGHAI.

MARINES MAY BE LANDED.

It is reported from reliable
sources, says a Shanghai paper
that in order to prevent the Na-
tionalist Government taking over
the Concessions in Shanghai as
they have done in Hankow, as well
as in Kiukiang, and also to check
any routed soldiers of the Allied
forces who are facing the Canton-
ese troops in Chekiang, it is de-
cided to land into the Settlement,
arrangements, in accordance with
the request of the Municipal au-
thorities have been made by the
Local Consular Body to land mar-
ines for the protection of foreign
lives and property any moment
they think fit.

It is learned that the forces to
be landed in such eventuality are
as follows:

British	1,500
American	1,800
Japanese	1,000
French	1,000
Italian	500

FOOCHOW REFUGEES
COMING.

MANY DUE HERE BY
"HAICHING."

NO NEWS OF ORPHANS.

We learn that the Douglas
steamer "Haiching" is to
bring here a large number of re-
fugees from Foochow, where seri-
ous looting of religious institutions
took place on Friday last.

Amongst the refugees are five
Spanish and five American Fathers
from the Dominican Mission,
twelve Spanish Sisters from the
same Mission and six French Sis-
ters from the Holy Infant Orphan-
age, which underwent terrifying
experiences last Friday and from
which 300 orphans were kidnapped
by the rioters. We learn that no
further news has yet been received
regarding the fate of these
children.

It appears that on Thursday
last, Chinese military officers vis-
ited the Orphanage and expressed
satisfaction with the excellent
work being done there, adding that
there need be no fear of inter-
ference. Yet on the following
day the mob broke out and looted
the place.

Besides those mentioned, the
"Haiching" is bringing down many
other refugees from Foochow, in-
cluding a number of missionaries.

CUSTOMS SURTAXES.

INSPECTOR GENERAL SAYS
NO.

Peking, Jan. 18.
It is understood that the Inspec-
tor General of Customs has ordered
the Commissioners not to col-
lect the Washington surtaxes.—*Reuter*.

A Chinese report states that a
committee is to be appointed from
the members of the Tariff Commis-
tee in Peking for the purpose of
handling the funds from the surtax
collections. It is said that this
committee will have power to
allocate the receipts from the
surtaxes to whatever purposes are
thought desirable.

CONFERENCE OF MINISTERS CALLED.

A Chinese message from the
North-to-day, states that telegrams
have been received in the Lega-
tion Quarter at Peking from sev-
eral foreign Powers agreeing to
the imposition of the Washington
Surtaxes, and the Minister for
Holland (the *doyen* of the Diplo-
matic Corps) has called a confer-
ence of all the foreign Ministers
to discuss the matter. It is stated
that the Japanese Minister has
strongly objected to the proposal.

THE POSITION IN SHANGHAI.

Shanghai, Jan. 19.
The Shanghai Commissioner of
Customs, interviewed by *Reuter*,
stated that the Maritime Customs
officials had nothing at all to do
with the collection of the Sur-
taxes.

It is believed that the Surtaxes
will be collected by Sun Chuan-
fang's appointees who, it is un-
derstood, will establish a separate
office in the Bank of China, which
is the Customs' collecting bank.—*Reuter*.

Entertainments.

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TRIAL.

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descended the starboard ladder
and secured the rifle of the man
who had been shot, and just then
there was a bang on the bridge,
which witness saw came from one
of the pirates who had recovered
consciousness. The Chief Officer
struck the man on the head with
the rifle and broke the gun. Mr.
Beatty then took witness's
revolver, and witness found the
lead and continued to guard the
port ladder with it. Witness
heard firing both from the pirates
and his officers on the bridge,
but the most seemed to be done by
the pirates.

SHIP ON FIRE.

At two o'clock in the morning,
the ship was losing way, and wit-
ness saw the lights of another
steamer. They sent an "S.O.S."
semaphore message, and also
sounded the siren for five minutes,
but they received no reply and the
ship passed by. Captain Pringle
added that she could not have been
more than two miles away. At
that time the ship was on fire,
which appeared to have started
somewhere in the vicinity of Mr.
Hurst's cabin.

After the ship had gone by, wit-
ness saw people moving on the
poop-deck, and saw No. 5 lifeboat
being lowered on the starboard
side. There were about seven
people in the boat, and when it
reached the water it seemed to be
very heavy. Witness thought it
was very probable that they had
forgotten to put the plug in the
bottom of the boat, which conse-
quently began to fill.

In reply to Mr. Nihill, witness
said he could not see whether Mr.
Lapsley was in the boat or not.
The last witness saw of Mr. Laps-
ley was when he entered the chart
room with the No. 1 pirate just
before midnight.

In reply to further questions,
Captain Pringle said number 20

was guarding him on the port
side. The first time he saw the
No. 1 pirate he did not appear to
be armed, but afterwards he was
carrying an automatic.

MR. ALABASTER CROSS-EXAMINES.

Rising to cross-examine, Mr.
Alabaster questioned Capt. Pringle
as to the reliability of his identifica-
tions. Capt. Pringle agreed that,
having undertaken to steer the ves-
sel to the pirates' base, he never
expected to see any of them again,
he did not expect that he would
ever be required to identify any
of them.

Mr. Alabaster:—When the No.
6 boat left, to all outward appear-
ances, she took away the last living
pirates, with the exception of those
left out on the bridge?

Capt. Pringle:—Not necessarily.
Heavy seas were running, and some
of the pirates might not have risked
it.

If there were any left, they did
not at any rate, make any attempt
to run the bridge?—No.

When the Bluebell came along-
side and examination was made,
anyone who was called a "bad
man" was detained?—All those
against whom there was any
evidence were detained.

VERY BUSY.

You had a chance of studying
the pirates then?—No, I was much
too busy. The fire still had a good
hold.

But after the fire was out you
must have seen the men under
guard frequently?—I had many
things to think about.

You have already said that sev-
eral of the pirates were much alike.
At the Magistrate's, you were in-
clined to mix No. 7 with No. 11.
No. 11 has been discharged.

Capt. Pringle:—I am still sure
that No. 11 was very actively
engaged with the pirates.

Mr. Alabaster:—You had
difficulty with your identifications?
Capt. Pringle:—If it was
difficult then, it is still more
difficult now.

The trial is proceeding.